



## Summer Little League Craft Programs

**Overview:** *Little League Crafts* is a passive programming series developed to increase teen volunteer engagement and participation during *Summer Reading*. Teen volunteers prep, set up, facilitate (with librarian supervision), and clean up the programming. Additionally, *Little League Crafts* encourages young library customers to play, create, socialize, and use library resources with the help of teen volunteers. *Little League Crafts* supplements the library's core programs, occurring during "off times." Each passive program lasts for one week and occurs for one hour daily or is available at the Celebration Station for a take-home activity.

### Little League Crafts Programming Examples:

- **Mask Making:**
  - **Preparation:** Teens cut out mask templates from brightly colored card stock.
  - **Set up:** Teens set up masks, glue sticks, and crayons on tables in children's area.
  - **Facilitate:** Teens encourage participation from customers in the children's area, assist with mask making, encourage creativity, and engage customers in an enthusiastic manner.
- **Power Bands:**
  - **Preparation:** Teens cut paper towel and toilet paper rolls in half and length wise.
  - **Set up:** Teens set up card board segments, glue sticks, and band decorations (jewels, etc) on tables in children's area.
  - **Facilitate:** Teens encourage participation from customers in the children's area, assist with power-band making, encourage creativity, and engage customers in an enthusiastic manner.
- **Coloring:**
  - **Preparation:** Teens make copies of coloring sheets and organize.
  - **Set Up:** Teens set up coloring sheets and crayons on tables in children's area.
  - **Facilitate:** Teens encourage participation from customers in the children's area, assist with power-band making, encourage creativity, and engage customers in an enthusiastic manner.
- **Book Marks:**
  - **Preparation:** Teens copy bookmark templates onto white card stock and cut.
  - **Set up:** Teens set up bookmarks and crayons on tables in children's area.
  - **Facilitate:** Teens encourage participation from customers in the children's area, assist with coloring, encourage creativity, and engage customers in an enthusiastic manner.
- **Champion Academy:**
  - **Preparation:** Teens set up power-breathing station (bubbles), super strength (bar bells made out of paper towel cardboard and balloons, and fire jump (Hula hoop with tissue paper flames attached). This is a more physical activity and may be better facilitated outdoors or in a program room.
  - **Set Up:** Teens set up agility stations with safety in mind.
  - **Facilitate:** Teens encourage participation from customers in the children's area, assist customers through "obstacles", encourage agility and good sportsmanship, and engage customers in an enthusiastic manner.
- **Sensory Buckets:**
  - **Preparation:** Teens prepare sensory buckets (elastic, storm, ice).
  - **Set Up:** Teens set up buckets in children's area.
  - **Facilitate:** Teens assist customers with buckets and help customers analyze the contents, making connections to the super hero theme.

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Week/ Activity	MON	TUES	WED	THURS (Reading Buddies)	FRI
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Week 1/ Costumes</b>	2:00 Craft: masks/ power bands	2:00 Craft: masks/ power bands	10:00 Craft: masks/ power bands	<b>10:00</b>	
	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Week 2/ Bookmarks</b>	2:00 Craft: Spiderman	2:00 Craft: Batman	10:00 Craft: Wonder Woman	<b>10:00</b>	
	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Week 3/ Agility</b>	2:00 Superhero Academy (Super Breath)	2:00 Superhero Academy (Super Strength)	10:00 Superhero Academy (Super Skills)	<b>10:00</b>	
	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Week 4/ Sensory Buckets</b>	2:00 Storm	2:00 Elastic	10:00 Snow	<b>10:00</b>	
	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Week 5/ Coloring</b>	2:00 Good Guys	2:00 Sidekicks	10:00 Villains	<b>10:00</b>	
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	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Week 6/ Costumes</b>	2:00 Craft: masks/power bands	2:00 Craft: masks/power bands	10:00 Craft: masks/power bands	<b>10:00</b>	
	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Week 7/ Bookmarks</b>	2:00 Craft: Spiderman	2:00 Craft: Batman	10:00 Craft: Wonder Woman	<b>10:00</b>	
	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Week 8/ Agility</b>	2:00 Superhero Academy (Super Breath)	2:00 Superhero Academy (Super Strength)	2:00 Superhero Academy (Super Skills)	<b>10:00</b>	
	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Week 9/ Sensory Buckets</b>	2:00 Storm	2:00 Elastic	10:00 Snow	<b>10:00</b>	