



LEAVENWORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY

Where People and Ideas Gather

The Leavenworth Public Library's hours are changing effective October 1. Late evening hours are being reduced, weekend hours are being added. The Library will be open 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 1 - 6 p.m. on Sundays.

The new schedule is based on an analysis of hourly library data from 2023-2025. All aspects of library use plummeted between 8 and 9 p.m. Library use was significantly higher between 4 and 5 p.m. on Fridays. Adding an hour to the Friday, Saturday and Sunday schedules will meet public demand much more effectively. It is also a far better use of public funds. From 2023-2025 it cost an average of \$11.62 to loan an item between 8 and 9 p.m. That cost dropped to \$1.95 from 4 - 5 p.m. on Friday. We expect the same efficiency to take place during our expanded Friday, Saturday and Sunday hours and will certainly serve more people at times they find far more convenient.

LIBRARY HOURS REPORT

Library use data was analyzed for every hour of every day, 2023-2025. Changing hours offers better service to the public and makes more efficient use of tax dollars.

SUMMARY

1. From 2023-2025 it cost an average of \$11.62 to circulate an item between 8:00 and 9:00 PM. Cost drops to \$1.95 per circulation between 4:00 and 5:00 PM on Friday.
2. From 2023-2025, circulation between 8:00 and 9:00 PM accounted for 1% of total circulation. Library does significantly more business 4:00 - 5:00 PM on Fridays.
3. Changing library hours to improve access during high demand times improves service

LIBRARY USE DATA--8:00 TO 9:00 PM

2023						
MONTH	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	75	15	117	26	6	22
February	98	33	163	28	14	31
March	108	49	120	34	18	39
April	174	48	221	55	20	40
May	149	80	224	41	18	43
June	99	81	170	33	15	51
July	137	64	96	43	14	53
August	60	44	101	25	18	88
September	60	25	142	29	9	54
October	98	58	206	34	16	41
November	52	66	86	21	16	34
December	61	38	98	19	19	27
TOTAL	1,171	601	1,744	388	183	523
HOURLY AVG	5.8	3.0	8.7	1.9	0.9	2.6
COST PER	\$12.87	\$25.08	\$8.64	\$38.85	\$82.38	\$28.82

LIBRARY USE DATA--8:00 TO 9:00 PM, continued

2024						
MONTH	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	79	33	132	32	17	17
February	108	35	76	14	11	30
March	68	50	271	23	13	39
April	122	33	179	38	17	40
May	125	54	173	35	12	51
June	98	18	46	38	8	52
July	208	36	135	39	15	50
August	162	28	155	36	10	34
September	179	29	105	31	8	33
October	47	32	115	13	14	27
November	29	20	31	10	9	14
December	66	36	49	13	13	24
TOTAL	1,291	404	1,467	322	147	411
HOURLY AVG	6.4	2.0	7.3	1.6	0.7	2.0
COST PER	\$12.03	\$38.43	\$10.58	\$48.22	\$105.63	\$37.78

2025	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	26	49	50	14	13	20
February	49	25	65	18	9	28
March	117	131	150	37	18	25
April	125	55	203	36	11	32
May	95	67	96	31	17	36
June	97	32	116	42	8	37
July	223	46	174	65	16	52
August	299	35	115	58	14	26
September	169	24	115	36	16	37
October	172	57	192	41	20	42
November	56	79	71	21	12	22
December	154	29	217	31	11	30
TOTAL	1,582	629	1,564	430	165	387
HOURLY AVG	8.0	3.1	7.9	2.2	0.8	1.9
COST PER	\$9.96	\$25.04	\$10.07	\$36.63	\$95.46	\$40.70

LIBRARY USE DATA-- FRIDAYS 4:00 - 5:00 PM

2023						
MONTH	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	207	21	237	51	6	16
February	212	17	170	48	6	20
March	261	69	223	66	5	19
April	186	19	251	48	7	21
May	111	24	110	34	8	19
June	182	12	114	41	6	32
July	163	42	129	33	9	20
August	157	26	158	40	9	25
September	248	76	327	58	11	33
October	161	17	198	46	7	28
November	154	13	132	42	2	15
December	198	35	186	44	36	24
TOTAL	2,240	371	2,235	551	112	272
HOURLY AVG	43.9	7.3	43.8	10.8	2.2	5.3
COST PER	\$1.71	\$10.31	\$1.71	\$6.94	\$34.15	\$14.06

2024						
MONTH	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	219	10	132	57	5	18
February	261	28	268	67	13	38
March	203	53	131	56	9	45
April	177	42	188	45	8	34
May	113	21	78	37	8	36
June	144	42	85	33	9	25
July	123	9	134	35	3	18
August	265	7	239	51	6	35
September	154	22	126	45	7	0
October	93	17	76	22	10	0
November	174	6	131	43	4	0
December	96	53	67	32	20	0
TOTAL	2,022	310	1,655	523	102	249
HOURLY AVG	38.9	6.0	31.8	10.1	2.0	4.8
COST PER	\$1.98	\$12.92	\$2.42	\$7.66	\$39.25	\$16.08

LIBRARY USE DATA-- FRIDAYS 4:00 - 5:00 PM, continued

2025						
MONTH	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	185	13	194	51	7	25
February	228	55	261	52	8	21
March	121	5	209	37	3	21
April	116	40	101	37	7	23
May	112	12	487	32	7	18
June	125	23	114	41	11	22
July	145	9	67	27	2	13
August	111	83	123	32	10	22
September	183	14	197	50	5	22
October	243	28	264	53	9	32
November	101	1	70	14	1	17
December	98	4	221	32	22	6
TOTAL	1,768	287	2,308	458	92	242
HOURLY AVG	36.8	6.0	48.1	9.5	1.9	5.0
COST PER	\$2.17	\$13.38	\$1.66	\$8.38	\$41.74	\$15.87

LIBRARY USE DATA-- ALL OTHER HOURS

2023	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	8,409	1,158	18,681	2,194	407	1,181
February	7,988	1,753	18,577	2,032	460	1,215
March	9,247	1,896	22,606	2,354	521	1,333
April	8,058	1,693	18,910	2,036	484	1,388
May	7,968	1,669	19,254	2,084	471	1,461
June	8,756	1,525	20,707	2,258	476	1,846
July	8,933	1,723	21,182	2,278	485	2,066
August	8,634	1,810	21,902	2,307	514	2,112
September	8,118	1,560	19,473	2,147	483	1,828
October	7,655	1,673	19,488	2,116	474	1,683
November	7,545	1,588	18,600	1,952	445	1,267
December	6,718	1,499	16,655	1,867	446	1,358
TOTAL	98,029	19,547	236,035	25,625	5,666	18,738
HOURLY AVG	31.0	6.2	74.5	8.1	1.8	5.9
COST PER	\$0.48	\$2.43	\$0.20	\$1.85	\$8.38	\$2.54

2024	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	7,832	1,447	17,586	2,054	462	1,386
February	7,622	1,436	18,340	2,140	469	1,872
March	8,575	1,695	18,462	2,213	480	2,007
April	7,378	1,784	18,651	2,090	502	1,806
May	7,524	1,460	18,099	2,083	457	1,672
June	7,881	1,475	18,428	2,148	440	1,694
July	9,126	1,606	20,791	2,383	504	2,126
August	8,479	1,689	19,447	2,226	497	1,777
September	7,079	1,579	17,991	1,880	455	1,556
October	8,160	1,541	18,288	2,156	505	1,772
November	7,220	1,411	16,662	1,819	399	1,241
December	6,213	1,473	16,828	1,726	438	1,466
TOTAL	93,089	18,596	219,573	24,918	5,608	20,375
HOURLY AVG	28.6	5.7	67.5	7.7	1.7	6.3
COST PER	\$0.54	\$2.70	\$0.23	\$2.02	\$8.97	\$2.47

2025	BORROWS	RENEWS	RETURNS	BORROWERS	RENEWERS	INTERNET USERS
January	7186	1336	16416	1821	401	653
February	7105	1371	15894	1760	410	678
March	7851	1762	18958	2120	479	854
April	7374	1649	19972	1983	434	852
May	7725	1472	17234	1911	420	765
June	8468	1628	20454	2240	478	913
July	9925	1879	23213	2565	600	1069
August	8813	1740	21396	2236	545	945
September	8241	1697	20990	2123	507	860
October	9398	2137	22794	2445	575	936
November	7442	1979	19741	1888	551	778
December	6973	1988	20692	1863	552	804
TOTAL	96,501	20,638	237,754	24,955	5,952	10,107
HOURLY AVG	28.2	6.0	69.5	7.3	1.7	3.0
COST PER	\$0.53	\$2.47	\$0.21	\$2.04	\$8.56	\$5.04