

2024 March

Take your first steps with the PNC Fairfax Connection.

A free resource center dedicated to helping the community learn and grow with classes, workshops, events and programs

Hours: Mon, Thurs & Fri • 10 am – 4 pm | Tues & Wed • 10 am – 7 pm | Sat • 10 am – 1 pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Tech Time 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	2 Digital Music Production: Basic 10:00 am – 11:30 am Digital Recording and Engineering: Advanced 11:30 am – 1:00 pm Basic Yoga 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Teen Tech Trailblazers: Discovering Design 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
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Workshop & Special Event Descriptions

Basic Computer Skills: These days, it's important for everyone to have basic computer skills. Join this workshop to learn the basics, including creating a Gmail account, sending an email, basic word processing, how to search the internet, and more.

Basic Yoga: Yoga is a unique way of strengthening and toning the body. Join us with our partner My Village Yoga for Saturday yoga sessions at the PNC Fairfax Connection! Whether you are new to yoga or have taken classes, this is the best place for you to start.

Black History 365 for Kids: As we all know, Black History is more than a month of engagement — it's relevant 365 days a year. There is an abundance of content that we will explore to highlight the history of the Black experience. Join our gathering as we discuss and engage in this month's Black History topic.

Book Club: One of the pleasures of reading a good book is discussing it with others who have read it. Our Book Club provides a forum to rave about what you've just read or to debate participants' various reactions to the same book. Join us for your Connection to the literary world as we discuss our shared experiences of our selected book.

Building Blocks: This is a weekly program for children that features story time, arts & crafts, music or an appearance by a PNC Grow Up Great® partner. Ages 3–6.

Building Blocks: Springtime Celebration: Spring is here and we're throwing a party! Enjoy story time and a book signing with local author, Chante Thomas, as well as a hands-on workshop with our friends from The Great Lakes Science Center! This program is designed for families with youth ages 3–6.

Computers 101: Join this 8-week program that will provide you with an introduction to laptops and desktops, understanding mobile apps, and safe internet navigation. This workshop is designed to help seniors and adults learn computer basics.

Connecting through Conversations: March's Hot Topics: What world topics are being discussed this month — on the federal, state and local levels? Come prepared to discuss and defend your opinion on trending news stories that matter to you.

Connecting with the Community: Join us to hear about community events and prepare to share. All programs discussed must be open to the public, be nonpolitical and not require any experience to attend. This session will always commence directly after Tacos with Traci.

Digital Music Recording & Production – Basic: Whether you're a budding musician or have a passion to create and record for a living, this class provides you access to and understanding of the software and tools you'll need to arrange your own masterpiece. Students will learn how to obtain professional-sounding results from a simple studio setup. Basic computer knowledge and registration required. Ages 13 and up.

Digital Recording & Engineering – Advanced: This is the next-level session for those who have already taken the Basic class. We will use the acquired skills to produce an entire song, including an audio recording. Registration required. Ages 13 and up.

Early Childhood Educator Workshop – Cleveland Orchestra: Learn how the language of music can help develop literacy and communication skills with activities and games that create better learners and social-emotional learning. Discover new musical games, songs and activities to promote communication, motor-skills development and listening. Registration required. 1.5 SUTQ hours can be earned.

Family STEAM Night: Join us for Family STEAM Night! All ages are welcome as we explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math through hands-on activities led by STEAM professionals. We'll complete fun projects that will ignite your curiosity and spark your creativity. No experience required.

Great Lakes Science Center Family Workshop: Bring your little ones and explore scientific thinking! This is a program for families with elementary-age children. Participants will use their senses to learn about our world through hands-on activities.

Homebuyers Workshop: Join PNC Bank for an exciting discussion that will provide insight into the homebuying experience. Learn about financing, the pre-approval process, unique lending products and special programs to make homeownership more affordable. Registration required.

Get Up & Groove: Family Line Dancing Night: Join us for a fun night of line dancing! Our instructor will teach you all the moves you need to get grooving and moving to the best hits. Bring the whole family down for a night of line dancing and movement at the Connection. No experience required. All ages welcome.

Kids in the Kitchen: In this program, kids will learn how to make great-tasting and nutritious recipes. Our aspiring young chefs will follow recipes with guidance from a culinary expert. Come ready to eat and learn new recipes to take home for the whole family to enjoy!

Kreative Kickstart: Intro to Graphic Design: This 4-session series provides hands-on training with essential design tools and software. Explore the fundamentals of graphic design through design principles, color theory and basic composition techniques.

The Piggy Bank Club: Calling all kids! Come learn about spending, sharing and saving money through fun activities and games. Ages 5–12.

Reach Success: Are you looking for individual support to increase your career and/or educational opportunities? The Reach Success team is resourceful and helpful in addressing barriers and allowing your personal goals to be reached. Specialties include tutoring, alternatives to GED, navigating college enrollments, employment opportunities, coaching and mentoring.

Refreshing Routines: Creating Energizing Daily Habits: Shake off the dust of dull routines with "Refreshing Routines," where you'll learn to construct a daily schedule that's as energizing as the first sip of morning coffee. Transform your mundane tasks into a dynamic rhythm that powers you through the day with joy and efficiency.

Robotics on the Go: Discover the fascinating world of science and technology! Youth will participate in activities that include building robots, designing structures, exploring STEM careers and more. Come have fun while engaging with project-based learning. For youth in grades 5–10.

Songwriting: Join us to learn the fundamentals of songwriting and song construction. This course is for both aspiring and experienced songwriters. Participants will learn to apply the principles of songwriting, structure, concepts, melody and metaphors, and then produce their own compositions. Participants should plan to attend all four consecutive sessions.

Speakers Series: Each month promises to bring new knowledge from the very best of today's thought leaders. The Speakers Series has been carefully crafted to deliver a range of captivating and inspiring speakers — renowned entrepreneurs, community leaders and award-winning journalists. You will come away from each event with greater awareness and a broader understanding of new ideas. This month's speaker is New York Times bestselling author and hip-hop historian Jonathan Abrams.

Spring Forward: Overcoming Procrastination: Leap over the hurdles of hesitation with "Spring Forward," the workshop that propels you past procrastination and into the arms of action and accomplishment. Discover strategies and mind hacks that turn the daunting into the doable, turning every intention into initiation.

Teatime with Traci: Bring your ideas and hear about upcoming workshops and events during this time to chat with Traci Mitchell, executive director of the PNC Fairfax Connection.

Tech Time: Our Digital Lab will be open with a staff member available to answer questions on any device or software programs used at the PNC Fairfax Connection.

Teen Tech Trailblazers: Discovering Design: Join us and our partner Jamal "JayWorking" Collins to discover graphic design using tools like Illustrator, Photoshop, and Canva. Our workshops go beyond graphic design, encompassing various skills like personal branding, fashion, video editing, and content creation, empowering students in a support and enjoyable learning environment. For youth in grades 5–12.

Writers Workshop: This workshop is a sanctuary for the written word, where budding and experienced writers alike can hone their craft. Join us for this series of ongoing workshops where you will dive into creative writing exercises, peer reviews, and discussions on character development, plot structuring, and the joy of storytelling.

Young Artists of Fairfax: Explore your creative side through the arts! In this workshop, youth will learn how to create a variety of art projects and develop their skills in drawing, painting, sculpture and more.

First steps start here.

Call **216-391-4677** or visit **pncfairfaxconnection.com/calendar** for additional information and to register early as slots fill up quickly!

