Free Business Counseling with SCORE

SCORE® is a non-profit organization that offers free, confidential counseling and mentoring to small businesses and non-profits. Registration required, sign up online. 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursdays of each month. 1-hour appointments available between 10AM-2PM.

Lifting the Veil on Financial Industry

Join Tim Baker, Founder & CEO of Metric Financial, LLC for a closer look at the issues that affect you and your future. The financial industry continues to go through significant change, but much stays the same. Wednesday, September 18 from 6-7:30PM

Author Visit: Eric Judge

Author of Out of Town Landlord: Lessons Learned During the Great Recession invites you to learn successful techniques in managing rental property from afar. Wednesday, September 25 at 6:30PM

Medicare & Beyond

Learn about Medicare A and B, the pros and cons of Medicare Supplement Plans and Medicare Advantage Plans, medicare savings programs, Social Security Options, and roteering assets from nursing homes without having Long Term Care Insurance. Space limited, sign up online. Tuesday, October 1 from 6:30-8PM

Gain Influence in Your Field

This interactive presentation with Cloris Stock is designed for coaches, consultants, and other service providers. You’ll learn the common myths about gaining influence, how to position yourself as the go-to expert in your field, and how to connect with influencers. Wednesday, October 2 from 6-7:30PM

Basic Excel (3-Part Class)

This course covers Microsoft Excel basics. Excel is a spreadsheet program that helps you manage mathematical information and is frequently used in today’s workplace. Sign up online. Tuesdays, October 8, 15, 22 from 6:30-8PM

Strengthen Your Brand and Grow Your Business

This session with Ray Smithberger will explore the business benefits of doing good, review examples of what other businesses are doing, conduct an interactive exercise to uncover creative options of what you can give, and share five actional steps to start or expand on what you are already doing. Wednesday, October 9 from 6-8PM

Networking with Ease

Deb Krawiec, Principal Career Management Consultant from Arrow Career Consulting, LLC, will teach the 5 networking strategies that successful job seekers utilize to create a robust network. Wednesday, October 16 at 6:30PM

Comprehensive Retirement Planning

This class is geared for people 55+ or children of that group who are trying to assist their parents. Learn about life insurance planning, income planning, 401K/403B and IRA retirement plans, and more. Space is limited, sign up online. Tuesday, October 29 from 6:30-8PM

Using the American Community Survey Data Correctly

The 2020 Census is less than a year away. Learn from Roger Magnus of Roger Magnus Research how to interpret and use the information in the Census for marketing. Wednesday, November 6 from 6-8PM

Apply for a New Passport @ the Library

- Sign up for an appointment by calling the Information Desk at 860-658-7663 x2.
- Please plan on at least 30 minutes per passport application.
- We can only accept applications for new passports.
- For more information, please visit: http://www.simsburylibrary.info/passport-services/
- For current up-to-date passport and international travel information, visit: https://travel.state.gov/content/travel.html
Simsbury Public Library is now FINE FREE

For more information, visit simsburylibrary.info/finecraft

2019 Giant Annual Book Sale
If you love books, check out our Annual Book Sale, run by the Friends of the Simsbury Public Library; it is not to be missed. Find great deals on gently used books, DVDs and more. October 7 from 9AM-5PM & Sunday, September 8 from 10AM-4PM at Simsbury High School

Community for Care: Talk Saves Lives: An Introduction to Suicide Prevention
Join us at this community presentation and conversation about suicide and suicide prevention. Listens to recent research and early warning signs, and talk about how we can prevent suicide together. For questions, please contact Simsbury Social Services at 860-658-3283. Sign up online.
Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30PM

GirlYoga (Gr. 5-9)
Get your inner cool with yoga poses and constructive relaxation with information on topics such as deep breathing and aromatherapy. Mats provided. Sign up online.
Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30PM

Meet Us Outside!
We love getting outside and meeting you where you are. Sign up to stop by and say hello at some of these great fall events!

Septemberfest - September 6-8 at Simsbury Meadows (Visit simsburymeadowmusic.com for more info)
Grange Fair - Saturday, September 14 at the Grange (Visit www.simsburygrange.org for more info)
Fly-in, Car Show, & Food Truck Festival - Sunday, September 22 at the Simsbury Airport (Visit simsburyflyin.com for more info)

PROGRAMS FOR MULTIPLE AGES

ChildREN (Grades PreK-6)

Simsbury Celebrates (All Ages)
Simsbury Celebrates is a free community holiday celebration, traditionally held the Saturday after Thanksgiving. This year, we are celebrating the 18th anniversary of the event with a variety of activities, culminating with a parade and fireworks show on Iron Horse Boulevard. For more details, visit the Simsbury Celebrates website: www.simsburycelebrates.com. Drop in. Saturday, November 30 from 3-7PM

Minecraft Jr. (Gr. K-2)
Young gamers who are familiar with Minecraft basics are invited to play together. Sign up online.
Monday, September 9 at 4PM (Gr. K-2)
Monday, October 7 at 4PM
Monday, November 4 at 4PM

Sewing Kids: Meet the Machine* Meet the Machine is the required “certification” class for all Sew Kids programs. This class is required for children who have never taken a Sew Kids class at the library and requires no prior knowledge of sewing. This is a hands-on introduction using sewing machines from our Innovators’ Workshop. All materials are provided. Sign up online.
Tuesday, September 10 at 4PM (Gr. 2-3)
Tuesday, September 17 at 4PM (Gr. 4-6)
Tuesday, October 8 at 4PM (Gr. 4-6)
Tuesday, November 19 at 4PM (Gr. 4-6)

Little Yogis (Gr. PreK-2 w/ Caregiver)
Little Yogis is a program that uses breathing and movement to connect mind to body. Mats are provided, but if you have one, bring it! Drop in.
Wednesday, September 25 at 6:30PM
Wednesday, November 6 at 4PM
Wednesday, November 20 at 4PM

Big Blue Blocks (Gr. 3-6)**
Come build, play, and get creative with these new collaborative Big Blue Blocks. This hands-on program engages children with large foam bricks and cylinders, and helps them to design their own inventions, environments, and activities. Drop in.
Thursday, September 12 at 4PM (Gr. 3-6)
Thursday, September 26 at 4PM (PreK-2)
Thursday, October 3 at 4PM (Gr. 3-6)
Thursday, October 17 at 4PM (PreK-2)

The Great Create (All Ages w/Caregiver)
Join us for an afternoon arts and crafts project. Families are invited to discover what they can create. Drop in.
Sunday, September 15 at 2PM: Tissue Collage Sunday, October 13 at 2PM: Oil Pastels Sunday, November 10 at 2PM: Air Dry Clay
Minecraft: Survival Style (Gr. 2-6)
Young gamers who are familiar with Minecraft are invited to play together in Survival Mode. Sign up online.
Monday, September 16 at 4PM Monday, October 14 at 4PM

Junior Achievement (Gr. K-2)
Educate your child on the concepts of money, jobs, income, needs versus wants, and economic incentives as she shares her new picture book, “You Had Your Birthday Party on the Moon.” Her book combines fun and facts to help kids learn all about outer space. There will be a read-aloud and a hands-on craft. Drop in.
Thursday, September 19 at 4PM

Sew Kids: Machine Project* Children who have taken a Sew Kids “Meet the Machine” class are welcome to sign up for this time intensive beginner's project. No introduction to the sewing machine will be given, so come ready to sew. All materials are provided. Sign up online.
Tuesday, October 15 at 4PM (Gr. 2-3)
Tuesday, October 29 at 4PM (Gr. 4-6)
Tuesday, November 26 at 4PM (Gr. 2-3)

Bouncy Dice Explosion (Gr. 3-5)
Here’s your big chance to throw things because you’re supposed to. Try to be the winning chip on a giant human Bingo board. This awesome hands-on math program is made possible by the Crazy 8 club from the Bedtime Math Foundation. Sign up online.
Thursday, October 24 at 4PM

Halloween Craft (Gr. K-6)
Join us for hands-on Halloween fun with a kid-focused craft. Sign up online. Tuesday, October 29 at 4PM

“Coco” Movie & Day of the Dead Craft (Gr. K and Up)
Join us for the Oscar-winning movie, “Coco,” and a craft celebrating the Day of the Dead. Drop in.
Saturday, November 2 at 10AM

Color your Own Flag (Ages 4 and Up w/Caregiver)
In celebration of Election Day (and on a Simsbury Public Schools “no-school” day), sign up and join us for a colorful flag craft. Sign up online.
Tuesday, November 5 at 4PM

Spy Training (Gr. 3-5)
See if you have what it takes to be a spy by learning to break codes to find the hidden treasure! This awesome hands-on math program is made possible by the Crazy 8s Club from the Bedtime Math Foundation. Sign up online.
Thursday, November 7 at 4PM

Daring Darts (Gr. 3-5)
Supersize the fun in this giant game of floor darts! Once you learn how to keep score, you’ll beooky fun in the hidden Truth! This awesome hands-on math program is made possible by the Crazy 8s Club from the Bedtime Math Foundation. Sign up online.
Thursday, November 21 at 2PM

For registration for programming begins one month prior to the program.
NAMI Book Discussion
Read Another Kind of Madness by Stephen Penshaw and join the conversation! Frances Pass, NAMI of the Farmington Valley Board Member, will lead the talk. Copies of the book are available at the Circulation Desk.
Wednesday, September 4 from 7-8:30PM

Not Your Parents’ Board Games (Teen & Adult)
Explore the world of board games beyond traditional choices. Learn what’s new with game master Anthony Ferello. Great for families and individuals of all ages.
Not otherwise stated

Simsbury Camera Club
The Simsbury Camera Club is back with a range of guest speakers and technical workshops.
Not otherwise stated

United States Census
The US Census will be at the library to answer general questions and recruit data collectors.
Not otherwise stated

Cord Cutting
Learn about “cutting the cord,” different streaming apps for TV and movies, and how to get started with various streaming devices and services.
Wednesday, September 11 at 1PM

Author Visit: Matthew Dicks
Matthew Dicks will visit to discuss his latest book, The Writers’ Exchange
Not otherwise stated

Recurring Adult Programs (Drop in)
Every Friday at 1PM (time changes for special events)

The Writers’ Exchange
Local author David (D.H.) Robbins facilitates. Space is limited, sign up online. Meets every 4th Thursday at 6PM.

The Third Wednesday Fiction Writer’s Group (D.H.)
Robbins facilitates and registration is limited to 10 people. Meets every 3rd Wednesday at 6:30PM.

Registration is encouraged for all programs but not required unless otherwise stated

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ADULTS
CHILDREN (AGES BIRTH - 6 YEARS)

Tumble Tots (Ages 2-5 w/ Caregiver)
Join coaches from the Gymnastic Training Center for fun play and following obstacle courses that challenge the mind and body. Sign up online. Tuesday, September 10 at 10:30AM Tuesday, October 22 at 10:30AM

Itzy Bitsy Musical Teddy Bear Picnic (Ages Birth to 5 w/Caregiver)
Join four members of Itzy Bitsy Music & Arts for a fun Together teddy bear picnic. Bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed friend! (No food will be served) Sign up online. Wednesday, September 4 at 10:30AM

Toddler Time (Walking up to Age 3 w/Caregiver)
Get ready for rhymes, activities, and songs designed for curious toddlers. With a familiar structure to each meeting, little ones learn to listen, follow directions, and have fun. Sign up online. Thursdays in Sept, Oct, & Nov at 10AM Thursdays in Oct & Nov at 11AM (No program Thursday, November 28)

Storytime Café (All Ages w/Caregiver)**
Join us upstairs for a special storytime in the Friends Café! Grab a free cup of coffee/tea sponsored by the Friends of the Library and free baked goods sponsored by the Friends Café! Grab a free cup of coffee/tea sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Sign up online. Monday, September 2 at 10:30AM Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30PM

Music with Marie (Ages 1-4 w/Caregiver)** Marie Lm and her guitar bring us a musical program where children can sing, play, and move to the beat! Drop in. Wednesday, Sept 11 & 18 at 10:30AM Saturday, Sept 28 at 10:30AM Wednesday, Oct 2 & 16 at 10:30AM Saturday, Oct 26 at 10:30AM Wednesday, Nov 6 & 20 at 10:30AM Saturday, Nov 23 at 10:30AM

Hula Bebe (All Ages w/Caregiver)** Holly Kells breath presents her language storytime open to speakers of all languages. Join her for stories, songs and dance. All are welcome, whether you already speak Spanish or want to learn something new. Drop in. Friday, September 13 at 10:30AM Friday, October 11 at 10:30AM Friday, November 8 & 22 at 10:30AM Friday, November 29 at 10:30AM

Storytime (All Ages w/Caregiver)
Join us for a series of storytimes around Simsbury! We will travel to different locations to share stories and learn a little about our community. Drop in.
Tuesday, September 10 at 10:30AM Tuesday, October 29 at 10:30AM Monday, November 25 at 10:30AM

Everybody Plays (Ages Birth to 5 w/Caregiver)**
This is an inclusive playgroup for children of all abilities. Play and meet new friends in a welcoming, family-friendly environment. Presented in collaboration with Creative Intervention. Drop in. Saturday, September 14 at 10:30AM Saturday, September 28 at 10:30AM Saturday, October 12 at 10:30AM Friday, October 18 at 10:30AM Saturday, November 9 at 10:30AM Friday, November 15 at 10:30AM

Car Seat Safety Check (All Ages)
An officer from the Simsbury Police Department will be here to check your car seat to ensure it fits your child and is correctly installed. Drop in. Saturday, September 14 from 9:30-11:30AM

Grandparent Storytime (All Ages w/Caregiver)
Join us for a special storytime celebration of grandparents and the children in their lives. All families are welcome to attend. Drop in. Tuesday, October 8 at 10:30AM

Itzy Bitsy Music Jam Party (Ages Birth-5 w/Caregiver)
Come dressed in your cozy pajamas and sing, dance, and play with the co-directors of Itzy Bitsy Music Arts. This 45-minute music pajama party is for children birth to 3 and their families. Sign up online. Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30PM

Meet a Ballerina (Ages 5-7 w/Caregiver)
The Hartt School presents this special opportunity to dance with and meet a real ballerina! Drop in. Tuesday, October 1 at 10:30AM Tuesday, November 26 at 10:30AM

Try Taekwondo (Ages 4 & Up w/Caregiver)
Master Summit of Olympic Taekwondo will teach your little one to do some stretching and learn a few basic motions in this introductory class. Sign up online. Tuesday, October 15 at 10:30AM

Halloween Storytime (All Ages w/Caregiver)
Join us for a Halloween-themed storytime full of songs, fun, and books that go “booo!” Little ones are encouraged to come in costume. Sign up online. Wednesday, October 30 at 10:30AM

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TEENS (GRADS 7-12)
First Friday Nerdfest
Get fandoms? Drop in to discuss your favorite fandoms, watch video clips, and sample a different fun food every month.
Friday, September 6 at 3:30PM Friday, September 20 at 3:30PM Friday, November 1 at 3:30PM

Half Day Smash Ultimate Tournaments
Explore the world of ultimate board games beyond the traditional choices. Learn what’s new with game master Anthony Ferello. For great families, individuals, or groups of friends. Sign up online. Saturday, September 7 from 1-3PM Saturday, October 12 from 1-3PM Saturday, November 9 from 1-3PM

Teens Advisory Board (TAB)
Share your ideas about programs, materials, and the Teen Space. This board membership looks great on resumes and college applications! Pizza and free books provided! Drop in. Tuesday, September 24 at 7PM Tuesday, October 8 at 7PM Tuesday, November 12 at 7PM - Special Event: Happy Birthday TAB! Cupcake Wars

Express Yourself: Zentangle
The Zentangle Method is an easy-to-learn, relaxing, and fun way to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns. Increase your focus, creativity, self-confidence, and sense of well-being. Supplies and snacks provided. Drop in. Friday, September 13 at 3:30PM

Switch Meetup: Smash Ultimate (Gr. 7-12)
Play at Library’s Nintendo Switch on our big screen. Pizza provided at 2PM. This is not a tournament. Feel free to bring your own Switch for side games. Sign up online. Saturday, September 14 from 2-4PM

Rick Riordan Trivia
Love Rick Riordan books? Try your hand at trivia from the Percy Jackson series and the Kane books of Magnus Chase, Trials of Apollo, Heroes of Olympus, Kane Chronicles. Please note this is the same trivia that was featured at the multi-town tournament held in January 2019. Sign up online. Monday, September 16 at 3:30PM

GirlYoga (Gr. 5-9)
GirlYoga incorporates yoga poses and constructive relaxation with infusing Centering Exercises such as deep breathing and aromatherapy. Mats provided. Sign up online. Monday, September 16 at 3:45PM Monday, October 7 at 4:30PM

Express Yourself: Mini-Canvas Painting
Show off your creativity and relax with DIY Mini-Canvas Painting. Sign up online. Supplies and snacks provided. Drop in. Friday, November 8 at 3:30PM

Munchkin Zombies with Halloween Snack
Enjoy a casual party and a Halloween themed snack. Drop in. Monday, October 18 at 3:30PM

Teen Book Club
Calling all book lovers! Discuss the monthly book title, enjoy a snack, and go home with free books. Sign up online. Monday, October 21 at 3:30PM The Night Owl
Monday, November 18 at 3:30PM

GirlYoga Mindfulness Lock-In (Gr. 5-12)
Relax and de-stress at this fun after hours event! Enjoy a healthy snack, explore yoga, breathing techniques, and meditation, plus make your own lip balm to take home. You must be picked up at the door at 7PM. Permission form is required. Sign up online.

Mindfulness and Music
Join us for a 3-part series guiding teens on stress management, mindfulness and attention in our busy world. Marcie Swift, M.Ed. CMP is both a certified school psychologist and certified music practitioner of the CMA. Attend any or all of the three sessions. Sign up online.

Saturday, October 5 at 7PM Saturday, November 2 at 7PM Saturday, November 9 at 7PM

Practice SAT or ACT Test
In partnership with C2Education, take a full-length practice test (you choose SAT or ACT), minus the essay, under the same conditions as the actual exam. Students will receive feedback from C2Education in about a week. Arrive by 10AM. Seating is limited, sign up online.
Saturday, September 28 from 10-11:5PM Saturday, October 2 from 11-1PM

Switch Meetup: Super Mario Party (Gr. 7-12)
Play on the Library’s Nintendo Switch on our big screen. Pizza provided at 4PM. This is not a tournament. Feel free to bring your own Switch for side games. Drop in. Wednesday, October 9 from 4-7PM

Express Yourself: Mini-Canvas Painting
Show off your creativity and relax with DIY Mini-Canvas Painting. Supplies and snacks provided. Drop in. Friday, November 8 at 3:30PM

Superfight with Superhero Cookie Decorating
Superfight is a classic party game where you argue with your friends over ridiculous fights between ridiculous characters. Each character has different attributes. Everyone will receive a sugar cookie to decorate with a superhero theme. Supplies and snacks provided. Drop in. Friday, November 15 at 3:30PM