

Changes to Bookmobile route – Summer 2025

The Lied Bookmobile will be without interior lights, power and air conditioning for the remainder of the summer due to electrical problems. In order to minimize risk to both staff and customers in the summer's heat, we are making significant changes to the bookmobile schedule and instituting a heat policy.

These changes will take effect on Tuesday, June 10.

Change of times: Several bookmobile stops are being shortened and moved earlier in the day in hopes of visiting as often as possible this summer while still operating under the heat policy guidelines.

- Stops whose times will change include:

Adams Elementary	Hallam
Bennet Community Church	Hamlow Elementary-Waverly
Clinton Elementary	Kloefkorn Elementary
Contempo	Lincoln Square
Firth	People's City Mission
Hickman Presbyterian Church	Southwood Neighborhood

Changes to stop format: Several stops located at facilities are being moved to a Deposit Stop format, at which staff deliver requested items to the facility for use by the customers. The bookmobile is not available for browsing at these sites.

- Stops being moved to Deposit Stop format include:
 - Behaven Kids
 - Ivy League Child Care
 - The Residence at Gramercy
 - Washington Street Senior Center/Grace Lutheran Church
 - Yankee Hill Village

Suspended stops: We regret that at this time we must also suspend some of our stops.

- Stops suspended include:

Fallbrook Super Saver	Tree House/Shepherd of the Hills
Hartley/Peter Pan Park	<i>(Note: Outreach site at church continues)</i>
Maple Grove	Union Manor
Matt Talbot	Victory Park
	Waverly Plaza

The complete revised summer bookmobile schedule can be found at <https://www.lincolnlibraries.org/visit/locations-and-hours/> - click on Lied Bookmobile.

The heat policy is listed below.

Bookmobile Heat Policy – Summer 2025

In order for both staff and customers to better predict when the bookmobile schedule will be affected by heat this summer, we are implementing a heat policy.

Heat policy cancellations will be based on both the forecasted temperature and the heat index, which considers both heat and humidity.

If the day's forecasted actual OR heat index temperature is 90 degrees or greater, the Bookmobile schedule for the day will be affected.

Partial day cancellation:

- At a predicted daily temperature of **90 to 94 degrees**, with or without the heat index, any **stops beginning after 12:00 noon will be cancelled**. Afternoon stops include Firth, Hickman Presbyterian Church, Kloefkorn Elementary and Southwood Neighborhood.
- We will still attempt to visit morning stops as long as the temperature and/or heat index is not predicted to reach 90 degrees during the morning hours.

Full day cancellation:

- At a predicted temperature of **95 degrees or higher**, with or without heat index, **all stops for the day will be cancelled** regardless of morning temperatures. This is to help protect staff, who often spend up to an hour preparing the vehicle and traveling to or from stops.

Timing and Notification:

Route decisions will be made approximately one and a half days in advance using data from the daily and hourly local weather forecasts and the National Weather Service heat index calculator.

- Updates will be posted on the library's home page: www.lincolnlibraries.org in a banner at the top of the page, in a lower left side News link, and/or will be posted on the library's social media accounts.
- Bookmobile staff will also contact customers via email when possible.
- Staff will renew items checked out from the Bookmobile that are due on cancelled days. Items on hold will be brought out at our next visit.
- Deposit stops are generally not included in the heat policy unless temperatures become extreme. Any cancellation or rescheduling of deposit stops will be communicated to each facility individually if the need arises.