# Welcome!

The staff at the Bloomfield Township Public Library are ready to work with you to meet the diverse needs of your students. Reference librarians are available during library hours in person, by telephone at 248-642-5800, or by email: askbtpl@btpl.org.

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# Special Educator's Toolbox





# Special Needs Collections

#### Youth Services

#### www.btpl.org/youth/special-needs/

The Youth Special Needs Collection at the Bloomfield Township Public Library is a circulating multi-media collection serving youth with special needs and their caregivers/educators. The collection includes books, therapeutic toys, signed story kits, Discovery Skills Kits, story boxes, speech therapy card sets, interactive books, books in Braille, DVDs, music & activity CDs, and more for students with special needs.

#### Adult Services

The Adult Special Needs Collection at the Bloomfield Township Public Library is a new and growing collection. This circulating collection currently has high-interest, low-reading level fiction, non-fiction resource books, and guides for those who want help with navigating daily life. In addition, we have an iPad available loaded with apps for adults and teens with special needs. Look for this collection to grow in the coming months!

## Check It Out

Library cards for students and staff:

Residents of Bloomfield Township can apply for a card with valid photo ID showing residence in Bloomfield Township. If students or staff are not

residents or working in Bloomfield Township, but live within The Library Network (TLN) service



area (http://tln.lib.mi.us/md/), they may be

eligible to register for a card at their home library first and then bring in their home library card and valid photo ID to register their card here. (Exceptions may apply.) For more information, please see

http://btpl.org/services/circulation-information/.

#### **Special Needs Focus Group**

Special educators in the community and Bloomfield Township residents are invited to participate in our focus group discussing ideas for programming, outreach and services for people of all ages with special needs in the community. Your input is important and welcome! Please contact taggarti@btpl.org for more information.

### **Let's Get Together**

Classroom and Library visits: We can bring a sensory story time to your classroom (preschool - adult) or meet with parent/family/staff groups for a show & tell of our materials, programs and services for students with special needs. Groups are also welcome to come visit the library for a story time, tour, or "show & tell." Please allow two weeks notice for staff to prepare for your visit.



