

# HOWARD COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

# Bookmark Contest

APRIL 20 - JUNE 30, 2026

1. Draw your bookmark design within the big box. 

We want to see what you can imagine! Draw anything that you love and want to share that uses the given space in interesting ways, and maybe brings a smile to someone's face. **OPTIONAL THEME: FINDING JOY!** (not mandatory, but may give an advantage)

- Please don't trace or use copyrighted images (such as from favorite TV shows, movies, or books) or include computer or AI generated art.
- If you include words, check for correct spelling and legibility. Keep text away from edge. In fact, keep all important design details away from the line around the box.
- Consider what medium works best for you. Sparkle crayons, gel pens, and neon colors don't reproduce well and probably won't be chosen. Make sure that your design is well defined, not sketchy or pale.
- Dear adults: Please don't "help" your youngsters with anything other than the form below. There's now a category for you, too!
- Use this entry form or a photocopy/print of the same size. Do not sign or initial your bookmark design.

2. Circle the HCLS branch you visit most often.

Central	Glenwood	East Columbia
Miller	Elkridge	Savage

3. Complete and return to any library branch by **TUESDAY, JUNE 30**.  
One entry per person.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone or email: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade (fall): \_\_\_\_\_ School (fall): \_\_\_\_\_

All community members in grades K - 12 **AND AGES 18+** who live, work, or attend school (or homeschool) in Howard County may enter.

One winner in each category (SIX total) will be chosen to be printed:

Kindergarten & Grade 1	Grades 2 & 3	Grades 4 & 5
Grades 6 - 8	Grades 9 - 12	<b>NEW! ADULTS (18+)</b>

Additional forms available at HCLS branches and print on demand from [hclibrary.org](http://hclibrary.org). We cannot return submissions; please make a copy for yourself if you want to keep your artwork.

Winning bookmarks available at all HCLS branches at the end of summer.

Winning bookmarks become the property of Howard County Library System. They will be printed and distributed as bookmarks, used in other Library related materials, and posted on HCLS' website.

3"

8.25"



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