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November

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 Building Blocks 10:30 am – 11:30 am CyberSafe: Small Businesses 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm	2 Digital Music Production: Basic 10:00 am – 11:30 am Basic Yoga 10:30 am – 11:30 am Digital Recording & Engineering: Advanced 11:30 am – 1:00 pm Discovering Design 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
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Workshop & Special Event Descriptions

AI Edition: In this 4-week series, participants will explore the intersection of design and artificial intelligence. Our facilitator, Jamal “JayWorking” Collins, will guide you through practical exercises using AI tools and technology in graphic design.

The Art of Crochet: Learn the fundamentals of crochet with local designer Sonseeahray McHenry, Head Designer of S.A.M. the Label. Participants will learn basic crochet stitches and how to read a crochet pattern while creating their own crocheted pieces.

Basic Computer Skills: Build essential digital skills! Learn to navigate your computer, browse the internet safely, and use common software. Perfect for beginners.

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.

Book Club: One of the pleasures of reading a good book is discussing it with others who have read it. Join the club to rave about what you’ve just read or to debate participants’ various reactions to the book. Connect with us as we discuss our shared experiences surrounding the 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.

Center for Financial Education: PNC Bank is launching an updated series of financial wellness workshops dedicated to helping you more effectively manage your personal finances and achieve your financial goals.

Computers 101: This 8-week program 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 basic computer skills.

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 non-political and not require any experience to attend. This session will start directly after Dishin’ It with Dan.

CyberSafe: Cyber Threats: Learn about common cyber threats and how to protect yourself online. This workshop will equip you with practical tips to recognize, prevent and respond to attacks, helping you stay safe in today’s digital world.

CyberSafe: Digital Services: Join us to explore how digital services, such as mobile banking and electronic health records, can enhance your life while keeping your information safe. Learn how these tools provide convenience and accessibility. We’ll discuss how to protect your data, empowering you to navigate the digital landscape confidently.

CyberSafe: Small Businesses: This workshop focuses on safeguarding small businesses from cyber threats. Learn about common attacks, how to identify vulnerabilities, and how to implement measures to protect your business data and operations. Gain the knowledge you need to stay secure in the digital landscape.

Digital Music 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 is 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. Ages 13 and up.

Discovering Design: Join us and our partner Jamal “JayWorking” Collins to explore the world of graphic design through Canva, AI tools and branding.

Dishin’ It with Dan: Bring your ideas and hear about upcoming workshops and events during this time to chat with Dan Roberson, executive director of the PNC Fairfax Connection.

Do It Like You’re Big: Unlock the secrets of big business success with our “Do It Like You’re Big” small business class series! This empowering program is designed to help small business owners adopt the strategies, mindset and tools of industry giants. From scaling operations and enhancing customer experience to mastering marketing and financial management, each session will equip you with the knowledge to elevate your business like a pro.

Educator Workshop: The Cleveland Orchestra: The language of music can help develop literacy and social emotional learning. Discover new musical games, songs and other free resources for your class classroom that will promote communication, motor-skills development and listening. Registration required. 1.5 SUTQ hours can be earned.

The Fairfax Chess Club: The game of chess encourages players to think critically and improve concentration. Our instructors from Progress with Chess will teach you the fundamentals of the game and help you hone your skills. This program is designed to introduce youth to chess, but all ages are welcome.

Financial Empowerment for Young Adults: Students will learn to explore personal financial choices, make informed financial decisions and consider what it means to be financially responsible. This month’s theme is Building Your Credit History.

Financial Friday: Join us for Financial Friday, where you get the exclusive opportunity to receive personalized financial tips one-to-one with a banker. Whether you’re looking to boost your savings, plan or get budgeting advice, our experts are here to help you take control of your finances. Get ready to learn, ask questions and leave feeling empowered with new money skills!

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.

How Yoga Can Support Arthritis: This two-part series will inform and encourage mindful movement as complementary care for arthritis. Gentle range of motion movements will be experienced systematically through the joints. This series, led by an 800-hour–certified yoga therapist, will be accessible for all.

Introduction to Animation: Have you ever wanted to make your drawings come to life? We’ll use computer science and coding to create our very own animations! It is highly recommended that participants have basic computer skills such as typing and sending an email.

Kids in the Kitchen: Bring your aspiring young chefs and learn how to make great-tasting and nutritious recipes! Participants will follow recipes with guidance from a professional culinary expert. Come ready to eat and learn new recipes to take home for the whole family to enjoy!

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.

Revive Your Old PC with Linux: Learn how to speed up your computer with Linux, a free and open-source operating system. In this beginner-friendly workshop, you’ll explore the basics of Linux and discover popular Linux distributions. Perfect for anyone looking to give their PC a boost.

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.

Small Business Foundations: Designed for aspiring entrepreneurs and new business owners, this class covers the essential building blocks of success—from business planning and marketing to financial management and customer service. Learn practical skills, gain expert insights and connect with like-minded peers to set your business up for lasting success.

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.

Stepping into Kwanzaa: Step into the spirit of Kwanzaa with this vibrant class! Discover the rich traditions, values and celebrations of this joyful holiday as we explore the seven principles that unite communities. Through engaging activities, storytelling and hands-on experiences, you’ll learn how to incorporate Kwanzaa’s meaningful practices into your life. Join us for a celebration of culture, community and connection—everyone is welcome on this journey of discovery!

Tech Help Clinic: Join us for our Tech Help Clinic, where you can bring in your device for expert troubleshooting and personalized tech advice. Whether you need help with antivirus software, device optimization or any other advanced tech-related issue, our knowledgeable team is here to assist. Register for an appointment.

Teens in the Kitchen: Teens in the Kitchen is an extension of our Kids in the Kitchen program for our older youth. Come ready to explore more advanced recipes, explore your culinary creativity and learn essential cooking skills.

Understanding 9–5 Culture: In this class, participants will explore the structure, dynamics and expectations of the traditional office environment. Through real-life examples and discussions, you will gain valuable insights on communication, productivity and work-life balance that will help you navigate corporate culture and excel in the 9–5 job setting.

Voices of Fairfax: The Role of the Black Church & Civil Rights Movement in Fairfax: Explore how faith, activism and community leadership intersected to drive social change in the Fairfax neighborhood. We’ll celebrate the legacy of resilience and unity, and the enduring impact of the Black church in the fight for civil rights.

Whodunnit? A Mystery in Fairfax: Embark on a thrilling adventure to solve a captivating mystery here at PNC Fairfax Connection! Work together to uncover clues and solve puzzles in this family-friendly program. All ages are welcome.

Writers Workshop: Our instructor will give you strategies to craft new worlds and paint settings with words. Whether you’re a novice novelist or a seasoned scribe, this workshop will expand your creative horizons and add depth to your literary landscapes.

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. This month’s focus is Crafting a Wreath.

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!

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