



A new school year is underway, and with a new year comes the grand reopening for West Branch. A lot of good changes have happened at West Branch this year and we want to showcase them! Join us on Tuesday, September 3 starting at 9 a.m. to celebrate a new and improved West Branch.

Yes, you read that right... 9a.m. on a Tuesday is when West Branch will open. One of the many things we are celebrating are the new hours! Starting September 3, West Branch will be open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays 1 to 5 p.m. during the school year.

As part of our celebration, there will be refreshments and coffee in the morning. You'll have a chance to take a stroll through the branch to see all the improvements from our one stop service point, to our coffee station, and even our cool displays which focus on new materials. What else is new? Stop by our NEWSies photo station and snap a picture. Don't forget to share it with us on Facebook (@APLibraryIL) because you enter a chance to win tickets to a Friday, September 6 p.m. Paramount Theater show to Newsies!

Later in the afternoon find light refreshments and stop by to meet West Branch's new manager, Scott Grotto. Meet the Manager from 3 to 5 p.m. where you can say hello, ask Scott questions about the branch or find out what he likes to do for fun. It's a chance for you to get to know him better and ask about the fun new programs he's planning for West Branch!

Scott says, "We are very excited to celebrate our expanded hours, and we know the community has been looking forward to it as well. Expect to see a lot more exciting library programming during all of our open hours in the coming months." He sure is right about exciting programming! If you have not had a chance to check out our fall newsletter, here are a few I'm looking forward to: Teen Hangout, Hooray for Hedgehogs, and Explore Puerto Rican and Latin American Cuisine.

We look forward to see you at the grand reopening, hope you enjoy the many improvements West Branch has and the ongoing fun it has to offer!