



## 2022 Library Visit Interview Form

**Library Name:** Madison Public Library – Meadowridge Branch

**Certification Grade:** N/A

**Date of visit:** 7/28/2022

**Library staff present at the visit:** Yesianne Ramriez

**SCLS staff present:** Mark Jochem

**Amount of time spent at visit:** 45 minutes

**[Please limit this section to the answers to the specific questions, and include as much detail as possible. Report other information or observations in the “other information” section below.]**

1. How are you and your staff doing?

Good! Nearing full staff levels at 19. Hired a new Teen Librarian who will soon start. People are coming back to the library. Yesianne is optimistic that patrons are coming back to the library in at pre-pandemic levels. As we were speaking, sensors were being installed to count patrons.

2. What are the next projects (big or small) on your library's to-do list?

LOTS of new infrastructure projects – including a mural for the Teen Socializing Room. This room is in response to past challenges with teen patron behavior. It gives teens a dedicated space to be loud. Meadowridge is continuing to work on youth engagement projects. Yesianne mentioned the pandemic-closures gave the library staff an opportunity to rethink spaces and services. Other projects include motion sensitive LED lights throughout the building, a new removable wall for community room(s), carpet replacements, and moving and renewing furniture.

Are there service changes or new services from the last two years that you plan on continuing?

Pandemic-related service additions and changes include a family computing center, more computers for the teen section, and increased print/faxing services. Added the Teen Socializing Space, a seed program, and Tinkering Tuesday.

The library is continuing daily programs – Storytime Mondays, Tinkering Tuesdays, Chess & Knitting Wednesdays, Literacy Network Thursdays, Friday/Saturday Cooking Classes. Added regularly featured passive programs and take-n-make programs in the kids section. Meadowridge is tucked between two partner agencies – Meadowood Neighborhood Center and New Bridge. They regularly partner with them to offer programs to address food insecurity, youth development, health, and senior services. New Bridge is a senior service agency that provides a meal to seniors twice a month with the library. Meadowood Neighborhood Center co-hosts youth programs with the library.

3. How can SCLS help?

Deb is great to work with for the furniture and space needs changes. Yesianne is looking to add computer hubs and changing over to Envisionware self-checkout centers.

4. Is there anything else you'd like to share or discuss?

**Other information gathered at the visit (interesting tidbits, general impressions of the library, or alternative topics):**

Meadowridge is very much engaged with the neighborhood through partnerships and social/community services. They partner with many organizations including: community centers, non-profit agencies, schools, and faith organizations to meet the needs of their patrons.

Here are several pictures taken of the various spaces within the library – including the teen area, children's area, computer areas, social/community services display, and the comfort room for nursing:

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