# Play & Learn Early Childhood Initiative

The Play & Learn Child Initiative fosters early learning of math and science through the use of technology. Programs are structured, interactive, and safe, offering young learners school readiness and literacy-building skills. Technology checkout is available for in-house and home use.



# Launchpad Pre-K Academy

Helps little learners develop skills needed to enter their first year of school and inspires them to try new things with confidence.

Now available for check-out.

## **AWE Tablets**

Provides more than 85 educational software titles spanning all STREAM (Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art, Math) subject areas.

Now available for use at the library.





# Robotic Companion Lending Program

Focuses on building a child's social and emotional skills through interactions with the robotic companion.

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# Meet **MOXIE!**Robotic Companion Lending Program

Parents, register your child to participate in this exciting robotic companion lending program designed to improve social and emotional skills in special needs children ages 5-10.

Register here: https://tinyurl.com/RoboticCompanion

## **Participation Requirements**

- Possession of active library card
- A smartphone or tablet
- Email account
- Completion of identity verification process at orientation

### **Orientation**

Parents/caregivers required to attend initial information session covering lending guidelines for program as well as basic set-up and use of robotic companion.









For more information please call Para obtener más información, por favor llame Để biết thêm chi tiết, xin vui lòng gọi cho chúng tôi.

Main Library 714-647-5250

# **MOXIE** Program FAQs

#### 1. What is Moxie?

Moxie is a robot designed with the latest technology that allows it to engage with children through play-based learning. This is paced to weekly themes and missions with content designed to promote social, emotional, and cognitive learning. Moxie is able to perceive, process and respond to natural conversation, eye contact, facial expressions and other behavior as well as recognize and recall people, places, and things to create a unique and personalized learning experience for your child.

#### 2. Who is eligible for the Moxie Program?

Any child who is between the ages of 5-10 and whom the parent feels has a special need that Moxie can assist with. Moxie is designed to help support social, emotional and cognitive development and education.

#### 3. How does SAPL's Meet Moxie program work?

Parents with a Santa Ana Public Library (SAPL) library card in good standing can register their child at the library or on our library's website. The parent(s) will then be contacted to schedule an appointment for an informational session that will cover the setup and use of Moxie at home for their child.

#### 4. How long can I check Moxie out of the library?

The checkout period is for four months.

#### 5. What language does Moxie speak?

Moxie is a conversational robot that speaks and understands English only.

#### 6. Can my child participate if he/she is not in the recommended age range of 5-10 years?

Moxie is recommended for children ages 5-10 developmentally. However, younger children can use Moxie with some assistance from an adult, and older children may also enjoy using Moxie.

#### 7. Can my child use Moxie if he/she has a speech impediment?

Since Moxie uses artificial intelligence (AI) and speech recognition technology, there is no guarantee that it will be able to understand your child. However, parents can still register their child and participate in the Moxie program if they desire to take the robot home to test it out.

#### 8. Will Moxie work for more than one child in the family?

Moxie is currently designed to provide a special one-on-one individualized experience for a child, so Moxie is designed to only recognize its special primary user – its designated "robot mentor". So while Moxie may still respond if other children or family members speak to it, it will pair with a specific child and will personalize the experience for that special primary user.

#### 9. What type of content and activities are available on Moxie?

Each week a different theme such as kindness, friendship, empathy, or respect tasks children with missions to help Moxie explore human experiences, ideas, and life skills.