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Library System, Board of DD team up to offer inclusive programs

[DEFIANCE] – March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, and the Defiance County Board of Developmental Disabilities is teaming up with Defiance Public Library System to offer inclusive programming during the month and beyond.

The Board of DD and Sherwood Branch Library are inviting patrons of all ages to Inclusive Storytime on March 21 and April 18 at 4:30 p.m. at the library, 117 N. Harrison St., Sherwood. They are also partnering to offer an Inclusive Book Club that will meet on the last Tuesday of the month (March 26, April 30, and May 28) from 1-2 p.m. at the library. Book selections will be geared to ages 13+.

Then, the Board of DD will visit Defiance Public Library, 320 Fort St., on April 9 at 10:30 a.m. to share one of their favorite books, "Just Ask! Be Different. Be Brave. Be You" by Sonia Sotomayor. The story explores the fact that feeling different, especially as a kid, can be tough. However, just as many types of plants and flowers make our world more vibrant and beautiful, different types of people make our world more wonderful too. The story is geared to ages 0–6. After reading the book, a representative from the Board of DD will offer information about the board's services and Early Intervention Program.

No registration is needed for any of these programs. For more information, contact the library at 419-782-1456.