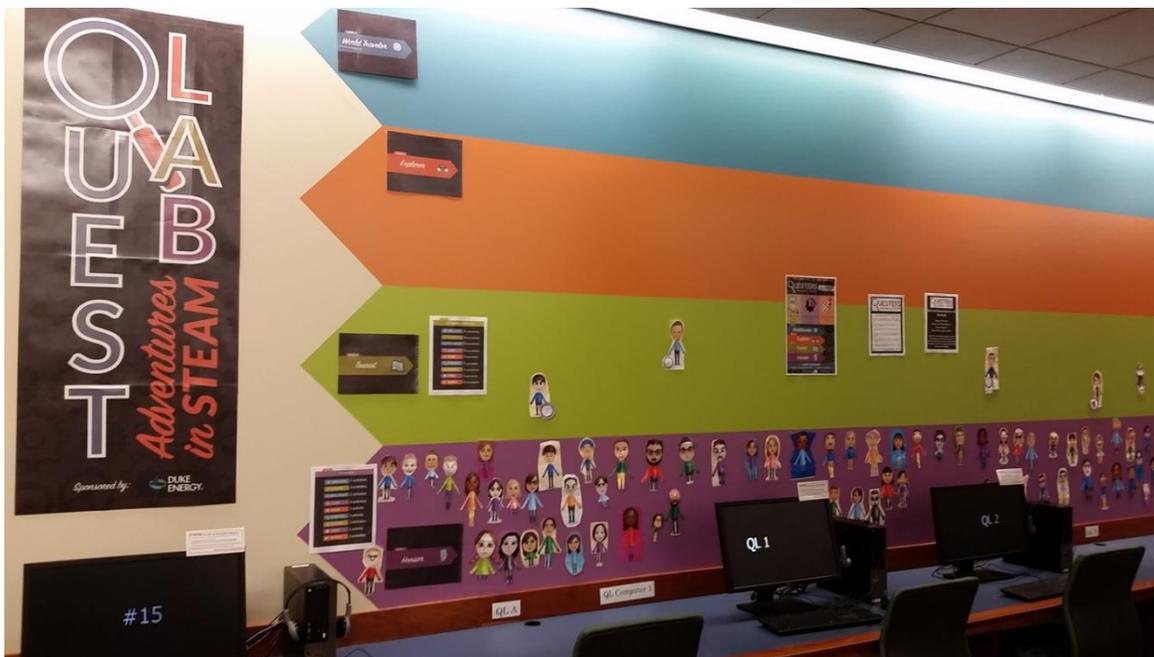


## MSR Visioning Report

Our Leadership team met with Ian Ford and Emilie Kopp from MSR on January 31 and February 1 as working sessions to develop plans for facility renovation and remodeling. This group reached a consensus on the best possible approach to our facility. The plan is bold and addresses major space concerns such as additional programming space and additional teen services space. The biggest challenge stemming from this approach will be adequate parking. We will discuss this in further detail in our workshop on February 24.

## Questers Report



Questers began in late June of 2017. Total sessions for Questers in 2017 was 121, with 364 visits by those questing young patrons. By February 1, 2018 there have been 22 sessions with 100 visits, for a total of 143 sessions and 464 visits.

### Top Ten Challenges:

- Osmo Coding
- Hex bugs
- Ozobots
- Paper airplanes
- Lazer Maze
- Osmo Pizza
- Circuit Maze
- Playmags
- Google Earth
- Pivot Animator



Challenges are organized into nine different categories: Circuitry, Coding, Global, Logic, Music, Robotics, Science, Video, Words.

Questers must complete so many individual challenges in each category to level up to the next level.

Nine CYS staff help to provide Questers. Led by Erin Whittington, they are called Expedition Guides and include: Jennifer, Sharon, Gina, Beth, Lauren, Hannah, Dawn, & Elizabeth. Several challenges will soon be debuted from the Digital Media Lab as well, to be co-facilitated by DML staff, Kristy, Lorena, and Bryan, & Expedition Guides.

Hours: M-Th 3:00-7:00 p.m. and Saturdays 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the library; the DML will have separate hours for Tourist+ level questers.

Questers is based on the Muncie Public Library Digital Climbers program & Questers is sponsored by Duke Energy

Website: <https://www.carmel.lib.in.us/questers/questers.cfm>

### **Carmel Clay Schools Art Exhibit**

The library is hosting an exhibit from Carmel Clay Schools in February. On display is approximately 90 pieces of art from six of the schools in the district. We had an opening gallery reception for students and families with all art teachers in attendance on February 1. Christy Walker sent me the following observations within days of the display going up:

- Lots of interest from all ages. Families are spending a lot of time looking (and I'm amazed how slowly and thoughtfully even little kids are looking at the pieces), and adults on their own are drawn to it, too.
- Kids and parents getting excited when they see their school's panel. ("Someone at your school did that painting." "Hey, I know her!")
- Adults encouraging their kids to talk about what they're seeing. ("What do you like about that picture?" "Isn't it cool how that one sticks out a bit from that paper?")
- Several of the students proudly getting their photos taken in front of their pieces.
- One of the Circ clerks mentioned that the reception and the show itself have brought in patrons who are renewing their cards or getting cards for the first time.

Special thanks to Karen Steinberger for arranging and coordinating the exhibit. The display has been a big hit with staff and patrons and has been another successful cooperative venture with the schools. The exhibit is on display through February 28.