

Photographs



Homer Street view

Newton Free Library

Exterior Views



Bridge to entrance from parking lot



View of building from parking lot

Main Service Desks



View from main parking lot entrance down long hallway leading to the Circulation desk, which is just past the column in the background



The Main Circulation Desk is difficult to get out of to assist patrons



View of Reference Desk from Main Lobby (in the background past the woman in green)

Materials Handling Activity



Book drop after three day weekend



Daily delivery of reserves and return bins a waiting unpacking in Circulation Office. Newton supplies more Inter-Library Loans than any other Massachusetts Library.



Sorting Bins in Circulation Office, light day



Limited Snack Space in the former meeting room kitchenette.



Family using snack space



Meeting Room B after converting it into snack space

Limited Café Space

- Meeting Room B taken out of service for meetings.
- Meeting Room Kitchenette re-purposed for vending space.

Druker Auditorium



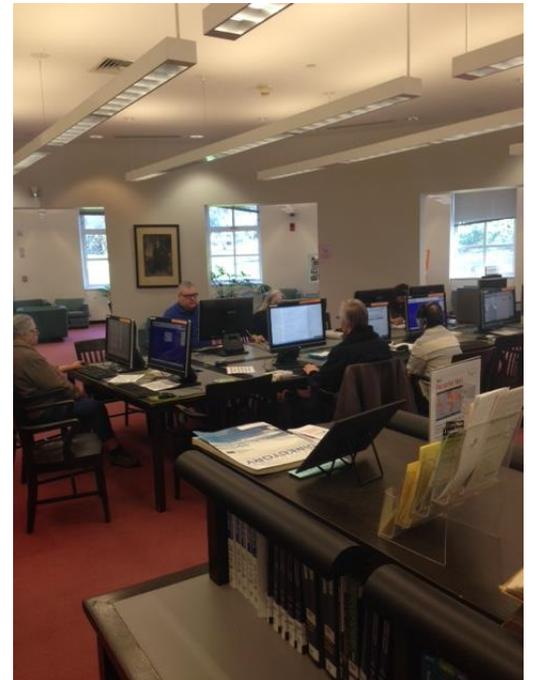
Druker Auditorium in use for Adult Program



Druker Auditorium in use for Children's music program



View from Lobby of "bunker" like Reference Desk in Atrium



Public computing space in first floor rear arc



View of Atrium from above

Adult Service Areas

Study and Meeting Spaces



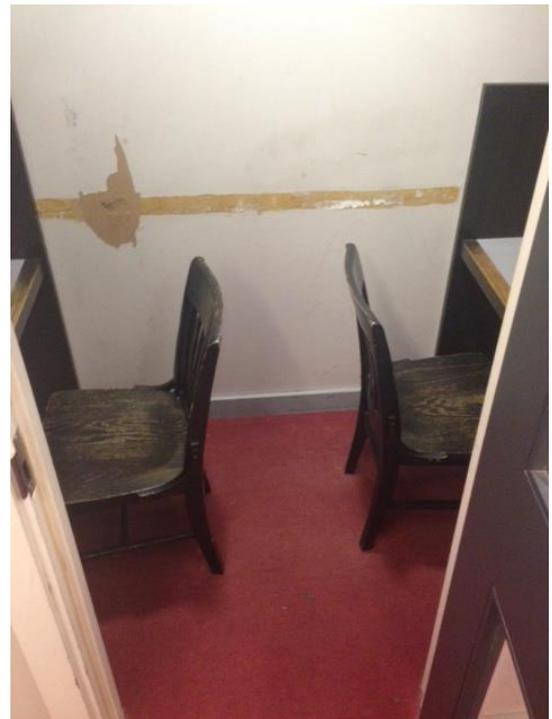
Meeting Room A, small conference room for 16, 10 seated.



View of an enclosed group study room



Small first floor study booth



Small first floor study booth with odd dual carrels

Study Area Seating Options



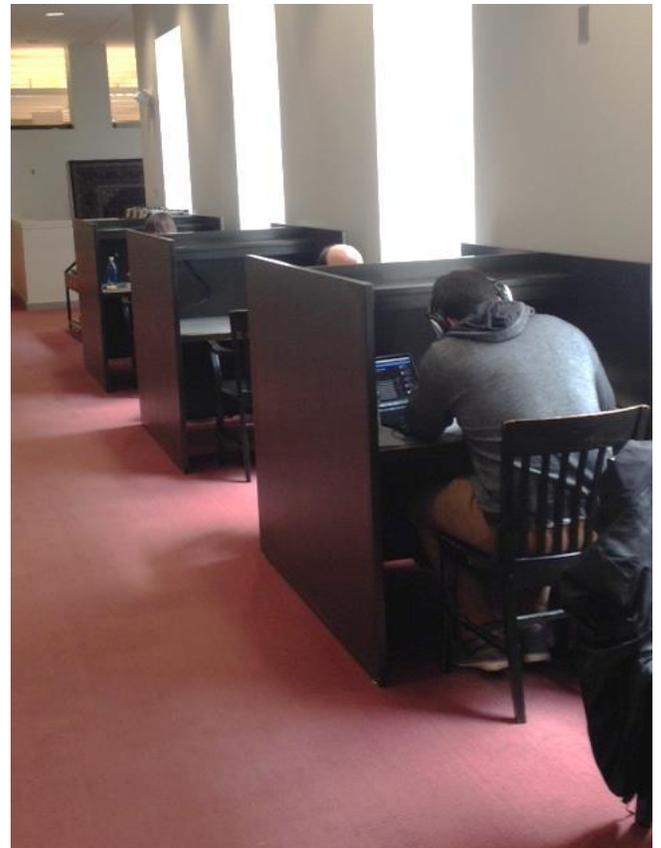
Quiet Study area outfitted with tables for four, which are rarely used by more than one person.



Round tables are preferred for tutoring use, but in short supply.



Tables for four in our Atrium, mostly used for individual study



Study Carrels in use

Children's Department



Children's Circulation Desk



Children's fiction collection with materials shelved on top of tall ranges



Child struggling to reach books on high shelving



Children's Non-Fiction area



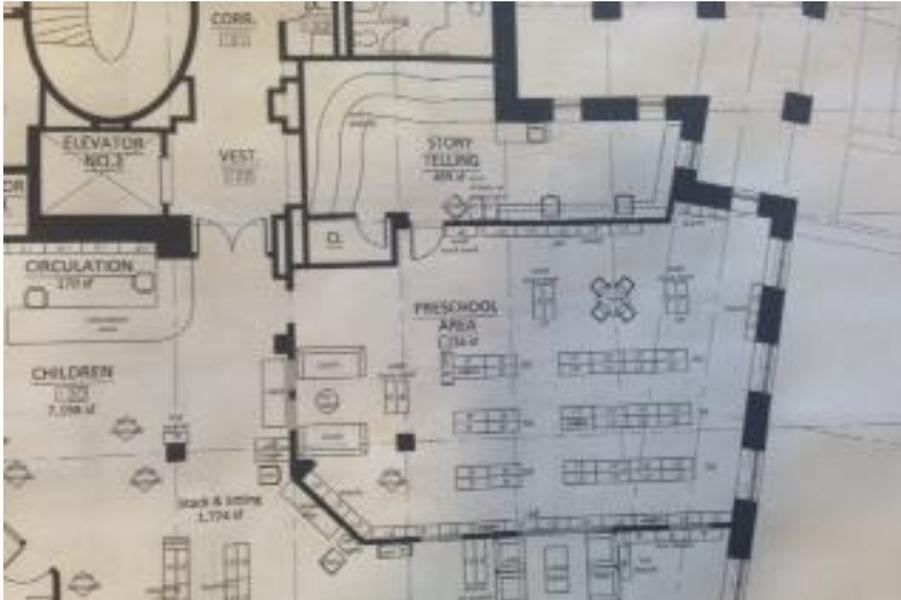
Crowded picture book room



Strollers parked in hallway during storytime
(blocking path to elevator)



Line entering Storytime



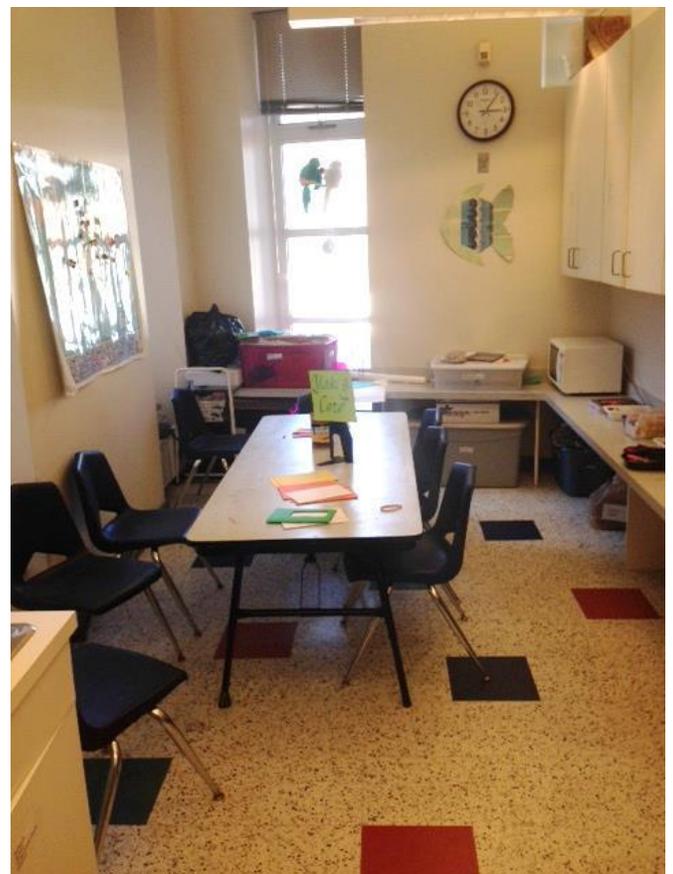
Story Telling Room

- Small 405-square-foot in size
- Odd layout
- Inflexible step risers
- Little space in crafts segment of the room

Floor Plan of Storytelling (Storytime and Craft Room off of Children's Preschool Room)



Storytime area, often 40 people are squeezed into this space for Storytime, while others are turned away due to limited space.



Children's Craft Area in Storytime Room; This limited space can only accommodate a handful of children. Room for 24 children (accompanied by their caregiver) to have space to work on craft projects is needed.



Children's Office

Accommodating:

- 7 Full Time
- 8 Part Time
- Each with 3' of counter space as their work surface.

Cramped Children's Department Office Space



Red nametags on edge of counters show the work space assigned to three of our Children's Staff members.

Teen Area



Open Teen Space with service desk also serving second floor and computer lab



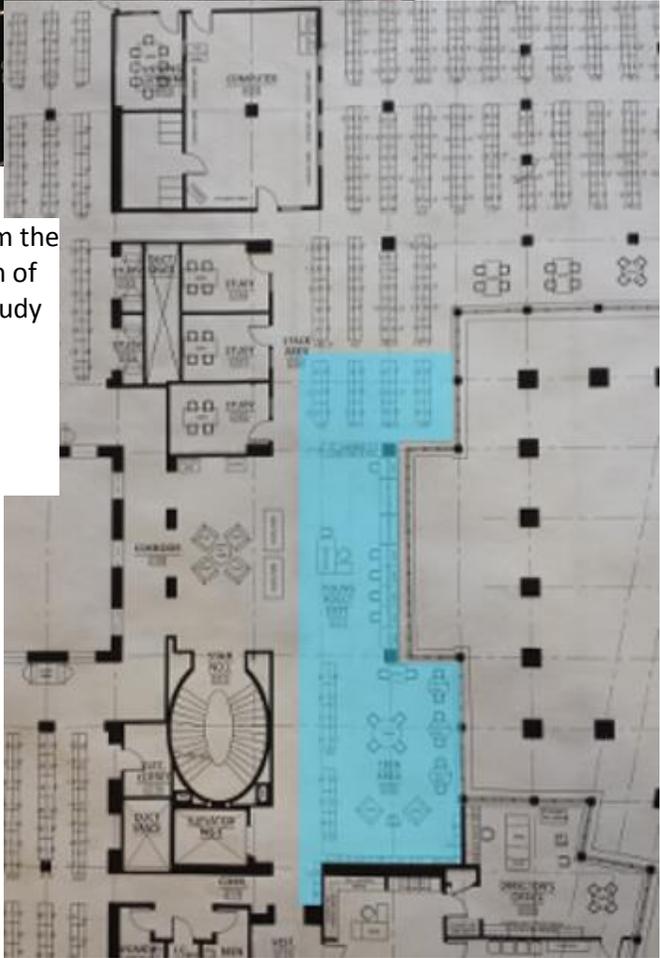
Open Teen seating area, doubles as program space



Active Teen craft program in open collection space.

The **Teen Area** in blue is not distinguished from the rest of the second floor, and is part of the path of travel to Administration, the Computer Lab, study rooms, and most of the Fiction Stacks.

The Teen desk is the closest staff point to the computer lab.



Library Teen art gallery opening.

Computer Lab



Public Computing Lab: 12 workstations, with an obstructed view of the projection wall.



Adults using computer lab



Computer Lab in use as technology program space (when we give up nearly half of our public computing space.)