

Muskingum County Library run workshops for the community with Kano. They'll soon allow members to borrow Kanos.



Why has Kano been a good fit for the library?

Libraries are under pressure to innovate their offer to patrons as reading becomes more digital. That's why we chose Kano as it engages young people and families in library activities and fosters a sense of community. We ran workshops where kids built their Kano and explored Minecraft and Make Art.

What impact has Kano had on your community?

After our first workshop with Kano, we had unprecedented demand for more. Our first workshop was heavily oversubscribed and the number of visitors to the library has increased. We were really excited to try a new way to bring the community together which involved pairing kids who had never met to build and explore with their Kano. This was received really well with parents excited about both the social and technical skills their kids were building. Kids left feeling that building a computer is something anyone can do.

What are your future plans with Kano?

We've officially opened up membership to our very own Kano Club, allowing attendees of the first

workshop and their friends and family to begin checking out Kano computers for use at home or school. To keep the community growing, we plan to periodically give existing members of the Kano Club new membership cards to share with their friends or classmates who may be interested in using Kano, too!

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Learn more about Cory and his Kano story [here](#). Share your #KanoStory with us or get in touch for more info at education@kano.me