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**A GRAND RE-OPENING OF THE NEWLY RENOVATED FLORISSANT VALLEY
BRANCH LIBRARY WAS HELD ON AUGUST 2ND FEATURING THE FIRST EVER
EMERSON DISCOVERY ZONE AND DANA BROWN EXPLORER'S AREA**



On Thursday, August 2nd Mayor Schneider attended the grand re-opening of the Florissant Valley Branch Library located at 195 New Florissant Road S next to Bangert Park. The photo above depicts the third ribbon cut which was in front of the Dana Brown Early Explorer's Area.

The branch underwent extensive renovations in 2016 as part of the Your Library Renewed campaign. The building has an exciting new children's Discovery Zone, sponsored by Emerson. The space is designed for children to explore, play and learn and has several unique features including a pneumatic tube display where children can send lightweight objects through transparent tubes and control their movement. An interactive light wall allows children to create colorful designs and they can enjoy a large format touch screen to play games and expand digital literacy.

The Early Explorers' Area sponsored by the Dana Brown trust established by the late coffee giant Dana Brown is designed for small children with reading nooks, interactive literacy panels, and a metal tube maze with moveable rings for them to maneuver through loops and arches.

The renovated branch also includes a new teen space on the lower level with bold furniture and colorful fixtures. There are three private study rooms, a quiet reading room, a lap top bar, a business center with fax, copy and scanning machines, a vending area and two revamped community meeting rooms. New shelving, furniture and carpeting has been installed throughout the branch.

To learn more visit www.stcl.org/your-library-renewed.