I’m going to the 2024 Fairy Tale Ball!
I’m going to the Fairy Tale Ball at the Cary Library! The Library will be decorated and look different from what it usually looks like inside.

Many people will be in costume – I can choose to wear a costume, but I do not have to if I don’t want to. If I do wear a costume, I know that I need to leave my weapons at home.
When it’s time to go inside, I will tell the Library staff my name so they can check me in. If I don’t want to interact with the special guests, staff will give me a red sticker to wear. If it is ok for the special guests to interact with me, staff will give me a green sticker. I can change my mind at any time and get a new sticker.

= YES! It’s ok to talk to me.

= NO! Please give me my space
While I am at the Fairy Tale Ball, I know that I need to use my indoor voice and my walking feet. I need to stay with my grown up. I also know that I can’t play with the decorations.
There will be special guests at the ball, including an 11-foot-tall giant puppet King named Jasper.

They will be there to sing, dance and have fun with us! I know that if I don’t want to interact with them, I do not have to!
There will be four different crafts I can do. If I don’t want to do a craft right away, I can ask for a take home bag with the supplies to make the craft later at home.
There will be a scavenger hunt that challenges me to find different fairy tale scenes hidden around the library. I don’t need to worry because any of the event staff can give me hints if I get stumped! When I finish the scavenger hunt, I will get a small prize!
There will be a ball! I can dance with my family and friends. Or I can just watch. If I dance, I will make sure that I am being safe with my body and being careful of everyone around me. If the music is too loud for me, I can borrow a pair of noise cancelling headphones in the Calm Down Room.

The Fairy Tale Ball ends with a special singalong. We will sing “We Don’t Talk About Bruno” and “Let It Go”. I can sing, I can watch, or I can continue with the crafts I was working on.
If I get overwhelmed or I need a break, I can go to the “Need a Break? Calm Down Room”. There will be some calm down tips and tools and things like fidgets and other manipulatives to help me take a break. When I’m ready, I can rejoin the activities.

The doors for the Main Event will open at 6 pm and a lot of people will come into the Library at that time. The DJ will also start playing and it will be very loud.

I am welcome to stay with my family, or I can decide I am ready to go home.