

Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library

Teen Advisory Board Application

What is TAB?

A Teen Advisory Board is a group of teens that are passionate about cultivating and improving library services for teens. TAB members meet on a regular basis to discuss ideas and plan events and programs centered around making the library a teen-friendly space in our community. TAB members attend and lead teen library programs, work as volunteers for special projects, and act as library ambassadors in their community by spreading the word about library programs and events in their schools, clubs and other social groups.

TAB Requirements

A TAB applicant must be between 13-18 years of age, be passionate about library services, and be able to commit to at least one hour long board meeting a month in addition to volunteering for special teen events and programs. Members must have a valid email address and be willing to communicate with the group via email.

TAB Meeting Information

The TAB board will meet for the first time on **Thursday, September 13th from 3:30-4:30 pm** in the Teen Zone on the second floor of the library. A regular schedule of meetings will be determined following this meeting. If you are unable to attend, please let me know.

Benefits of Participating in TAB

If you are a TAB member, you will have a direct hand in influencing the type of programs and events the library provides for teens. You'll get the opportunity to work closely with library staff to implement and run teen programs, and gain valuable volunteer and community experience you can list on a resume or college application.

Still Interested? Please fill out the attached application and return to Jessica Luther at the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library by Saturday, September 8th, 2018.

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Name: _____

Grade: _____ School: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Why would you like to join the Library's teen advisory council?

Can you commit to a monthly meeting at the library?

What are your hobbies, favorite books, movies, music, and/or games?

What types of programs and services would you like to see at the library?

TAB members volunteer at special library events and programs, would you be willing to do this?

Do you have a certain number of volunteer hours you need to complete? If so, how many and when do you need to complete them?

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When organizing volunteer hours, we like to be mindful of each volunteer's comfort and interest level. Would you describe yourself as any of the following characteristics? (circle all that apply)

Task-oriented

Prefers to work closely with groups of people

Prefers to work alone

Creative, thinks outside of the box

Organized

Flexible in difficult situations

Works well with younger children

Enjoys a fast-paced work environment

Please give two personal references:

Name:

Phone and/or email:

Name:

Phone and/or email:

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

I am aware that my teen is applying for a position on the Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library's Teen Advisory Board.

Signature of parent or guardian _____ Date: _____

Date Submitted _____