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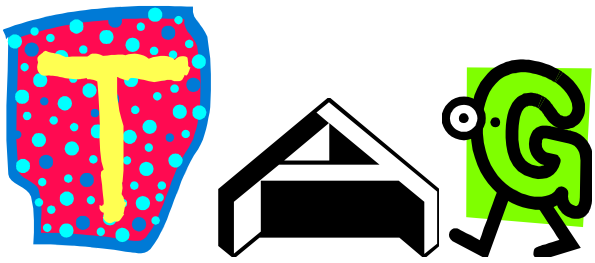

(Teen Advisory Group)

Application for Membership

For Grades 6-12

As a member of TAG, you will be an advisor to the Teen Librarian. TAG member duties include promoting and co-hosting teen events, participating in library activities, providing general feedback on various aspects of the teen program, reviewing books, movies, music, and other media, offering suggestions for the Teen Collection, and more. If you want to share ideas, meet new people, and have a great time shaping the library teen program, now is the time to apply for TAG.

To apply for membership, carefully read and fill out this packet and bring it to the library help desk.

***Please Read Carefully and Provide All Parent and Teen Signatures**

- **APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF ACCEPTANCE STATUS BY PHONE.**
- **MEMBERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO RENEW THEIR MEMBERSHIP ANNUALLY.**
- **THOSE NOT CHOSEN ARE KEPT ON FILE FOR ONE YEAR AND QUALIFYING APPLICANTS, IN THE ORDER THEY HAVE APPLIED, WILL BE THE FIRST CONSIDERED.**
- **THOSE ON THE WAITING LIST MAY REAPPLY WHEN THEIR APPLICATION EXPIRES.**

TAG Contract

As a member of the Teen Advisory Group (TAG) at Richland Public Library, you will work with your peers to assist the teen librarian in creating the best library for YOU. Your ideas are important to us, and this is your chance to share them!

TAG members can:

- Gain valuable volunteer experience (also, ask your teachers about school credit).
- Help create, promote, and assist with teen programs and other service projects.
- Provide feedback and suggestions for all aspects of the library teen department.
- Help create awareness of the library and the TAG program throughout our community.
- And more!

My responsibilities as a TAG member

As a Tag member, I pledge the following:

- I will understand and follow TAG procedures and guidelines.
- I will be a responsible library user and a good example to my peers.
- I will attend all meetings and be an active participant.
- If I cannot attend a meeting, I will give notice at least 24 hours in advance by emailing glightfoot@richland.lib.wa.us or calling (509)942-7680.
- At all times, I will respect the librarian in charge and my fellow members.
- I will do my best to attend and help with as many teen library programs as possible. Only active assistance will count toward event committee credit.

Teen Contact Information

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Consequences

If I fail in my responsibilities, I agree to the following:

MOST INFRACTIONS:

- STEP 1: I will be given a verbal warning.
- STEP 2: I will receive a written warning, to be placed in my file.
- STEP 3: I will compose an essay on what I did wrong and how I plan to correct it.
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ATTENDANCE: If I accumulate 4 total or 2 unexcused absences within a 12-month period, I will be removed from TAG for the remainder of the year. ***Note: 2 tardies equals 1 excused absence.**

Teen Name (Print): First_____ Last_____

Teen Notice: By signing below, I agree to all of the above responsibilities and consequences

Teen Signature: _____ Date_____

Parent Name (Print): First_____ Last_____

Parent Notice: By signing below, I agree that I understand the above and pledge to help my child adhere to TAG's responsibilities.

Parent Signature: _____ Date_____

Interview Questions

(Attach additional sheet if needed)

Name:

1 Why do you want to be a member of the Teen Advisory Group?

2 Have you ever volunteered in any other organizations? If so, which one/s?

3 What kind of jobs have you had and how long did you work at each one?

4 Please explain why you think you should be chosen to be in TAG and what skills you would bring to the group.

5 Do you have any existing conflicts that could prevent you from being able to attend meetings and programs?

6 If given the chance, what is the first thing you would do to improve the library for teens?

Photo/Video Release Form

I hereby give permission for my child's photograph/video to be taken and used by the Richland Public Library for publication of the photograph in brochures, web sites, leisure guides and other promotional materials. This includes permission for the Richland Public Library to copyright the photograph in its name. The purpose of the promotional materials is to encourage people to use the Richland Public Library and participate in library programs.

I hereby release the Richland Public Library from all claims arising out of its use of the photograph, including all claims for libel or invasion of privacy.

I confirm that I have read this form and understand its contents.

Parent or Guardian Name (Please Print)

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Signature of Parent/Guardian:

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