

Teen Advisory Board Application

The goal of TAB is to provide real leadership experience to positive, responsible, and energetic students (grades 7-12.) One of our main goals of The Teen Advisory Board is to promote library services to teens at The Hamden Public Library. We wish to strengthen the Library's ties to teens in the community by using their knowledge and creativity to create programs and further expand our collection. If you want to make a difference and offer your voice in the library and community, then fill out the application form below! Meetings are currently being held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

If you have any additional questions then please contact Alyssa Bussard at abussard@hamdenlibrary.org.

What are the selection guidelines for Teen Advisory Board?

- TAB members must be between grades 7-12
- All TAB members must be Hamden residents
- TAB members will be selected based on the strength of their application, and a brief interview with a librarian.

TAB members will work as a team under the guidance and supervision of the Teen Librarian to:

- Advise, plan and implement teen programs
- Write articles or reviews for the teen blog and newsletter
- Recommend books, movies, CDs and magazines for the YA collection
- Assist in creating an inviting teen area in the library

Why should I join Teen Advisory Board?

- You will have a say in materials purchased and programs hosted at The Hamden Public Library
- You will have something creative and fun to do
- You have an opportunity to make the Library a better place for teens
- Community service looks good on those college and job applications
- There will be food!

Please return the completed application to the Hamden Public Library as soon as possible.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____ Birthday: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Additional questions can be found on the back of this form.

Why are you interested in joining the library's Teen Advisory Board?

If possible, please list any prior work or volunteer experience.

Please list any skills or special knowledge you have that might be beneficial to volunteering as a TAB member.

Please list some of your activities and interests.

The Teen Advisory Board meets for one hour each month. Can you commit to meeting once per month?

Teen Advisory Board members may also be asked to volunteer at The Hamden Public Library for additional times to assist with different tasks or programs. Would you be willing to do this?

Your Signature _____ Date: _____

If you are under 16, please have a parent sign below:

I, _____ give permission for my son/daughter
_____, if he/she is selected, to become a Teen Advisory Board member at
The Hamden Public Library.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Name of person to contact: _____

Relationship: _____

Phone Number: _____ Alternate Phone Number: _____

Thank you! You will hear from the Young Adult Librarian soon regarding your application!