

### What book do you wish every teen would read?

- **Simon vs. the Homosapien Agenda:** Topical, good, realistic, empathy
- **The Hate you Give:** Very eye opening for a white woman in suburbia. Better than a newspaper. Systemic racism, black lives matter, great characterization, good writing, Girl finding her voice.
- **Everything Everything**
- **Bone**

### Favorite Ice Breaker

- Never have I ever
- Two truths and a lie
- Put out m&ms and have teens tell facts about themselves
- Toss a beachball around and have teens name as many movie titles as they can. No repeats
- [Zip zap zoop](#)
- Jenga
- Forced choices: ask questions and have teens step to one side of the room or the other

### Favorite non-standard library item

- Skeleton, they are a partial medical library
- Wood burner
- Avalanche roof rakes
- Telescope
- Ping pong balls and paddles
- Nooks and kindles w/OBOB books
- Sewing machine
- Bowl that circulated and patrons were asked to use it to make family recipes and record it in a journal which circulated with it as part of an art project
- Cake pan collection

### What would you do if you witnessed bullying? Does the type matter?

- All types are bad. Would approach the bully and talk to them about their motivations and what's going on. Go through process to talk to parents
- Staff don't always know it's happening, siblings, couples cuddling. Set strict guidelines, about what's appropriate in the library despite what happens at home.

### What's your favorite new sci-fi pick for teens

- **Consider:** Teens have to choose if they will go through a portal to save the earth. Gripping.
- **We are the Ants:** Similar plot. Boy's boyfriend has killed himself. Sci-fi element light, more about interactions. Light and funny
- **Railhead:** Space Trains! You get heartbroken about a train dying.
- **The Testing Series:** Post Apocalypse, sent to academy. Really enjoying it. Her teens like it.

What is your favorite reader's advisory resource:

- YA librarian is not near YA collection.
- Lots of if you liked [this] then you'll like [that] brochures.
- Novelist.
- You can judge a book by a cover.
- Sometimes buy great YA books for adults.
- Stackedbooks.org
- Epic Reads
- Book riot
- Good Reads

What would you do if a teen tells you if they are homeless?

- We have books that are not cataloged that can be given to teens.
- Use the homeless liaison advocate at the school
- Bulletin board with resources geared to homeless youth.
- Home Flight or other homeless resources near
- Homeless teens can be super skittish about being busted. Do Long term relationship building to help them feel more comfortable
- Being a friend, protect from bullying, make library a safespace

What's your favorite LGBTQ book?

- **We are the Ants**
- **I'll Give You the Sun**
- **Whatever:** Girlfriend breaks up with here boyfriend who made out with a boy. It surprised him that he did this while drunk. He doesn't identify as gay but as queer.
- **History is All you left me:** It's about two boys names Theo and Griffin. Theo is dead at the beginng. What happened?
- There are so many great stories about queer boys. Where are the girls?
- **My Year Zero:** A girl in high school sees another girl. Fantasy elements. The characters to a group write which is a fantasy story. It explores what does a good relationship entails. There's a substory about parents and neglect.
- **Aristotle and Dante**
- **Am I Blue**
- **The Inexplicable Logic of My Life**
- **Unbecoming**
- Fractured fairy tales
- **Princess, Princess Ever After**
- **The Way it Is**
- Manga: **Wandering Son:** Born Male identifies as female. Differences in Japanese and American culture
- **Great American Whatever:** Boy is trying to put life together after boyfriend dies. Sister wants him to have another boy right away. Sweet,, funny. Boy doesn't know what he wants.

- **The Heart is Also a Door:** Asexual
- **Rape is a Representation(?):** Gone through a doorway it alternate worlds. Candyland, Horror Movie. Parents think kids have emotional trauma when they report this. They then go to a school where everyone has had that experience. Lots of diversity in LGBTQIA+

### **Complete Silence or Complete Anarchy:**

Silence

### **Cardigans or no cardigans**

Cardigans!

### **How do you ensure your programs are accessible to a diverse array of teens:**

- Do different kinds of programs.
- Talk to everyone.
- Talk to people to see how you can serve them?
- Go to middle school all the time.
- Put up post it and put it on the wall and ask teens what they want to do. Take top 5 and have them vote.

### Do you make programs based on who's there or who isn't there?

- Both.
- Some are a stock form system.
- Or you can make your own.
- Try something different if you aren't reaching new audiences.

### Ebooks or Paper

- Both
- Both depending on where I am
- Paper for sure. One got a kindle for Net Galley
- Both: Ebooks and paper of same title to always have both on hand.
- Both: Kindle when husband is sleeping

### **What is your most successful monthly club?**

- Don't do monthly clubs. Kids will come for anything with free pizza.
- Gaming. D&D--very enthusiastic
- Teen Day after hours on Friday night.
  - Nerf Games.
  - Murder in the Dark. So popular no one was on the Xbox
- Anime Club--Different group of kids from other programming.

### How would you deal with teen BO?

- Establish a relationship a youth with frequent odor and have the conversation away from others

- Can we get travel deoderant to sneak to a kid?
- Could be related to homelessness. Have a card with a list of locations for showers and laundry
- HS and MS have laundry services in Tualatin
- Make relationship. Be direct. Hey, what's going on in life? Because you stink (but nicely)
- Some kids are just stinkier than others. They know and can't do anything about it.

What is your most successful use of social media?

- Teen recommended an app and website called Remind
- Spanish Facebook Page
- MCL had people post tattoos for book suggestions
- Teens don't want you to reach out via social media
- FB friend with teens
- FB can reach out to parents.
- Teens use their own social media to promote programs because they know what to use.