

### *What is T.A.B?*

Teen Advisory Board is a volunteer program offered at the Waterford Library for teens, ages 12-17. We meet throughout the school year to discuss topics of interest and program ideas that appeal to teens, as well as volunteer to assist with library activities and/or event preparation. We are looking for teens who are interested in this opportunity to share your ideas, meet new people, and earn volunteer hours!

### *Goals/Benefits of T.A.B.*

The main goal of Teen Advisory Board is to provide an opportunity for teens to voice their ideas, gain volunteer experience, and promote the library and all it offers to other teens your age.

Teen Advisory Board can benefit you in the following ways:

- Fulfilling volunteer hours you may need for organizations such as church, scouts, 4-H, NHS, CHASE, etc.
- You can meet and interact with new people and form a common bond
- This group is a great club to add to your resume or college application!
- You can have a say in what materials are available to you in our juvenile and teen departments; i.e. books/series, CDs, movies, activities/programs, etc.

### *Requirements*

The only requirements for T.A.B. are that you behave and dress appropriately at meetings and events. You are a representation of the Waterford Library as a member of the Teen Advisory Board. Be proud of this! Show us your desire to be a valuable part of our library by showing up ready to participate, dressing in appropriate and non-revealing clothing, and having a positive attitude! 😊

### *Ideas/Examples of T.A.B. agenda*

When we meet, we discuss various topics regarding teen books, teen interests, and program ideas.

We also share the responsibilities of updating the children's area with current events and décor, and keeping up with housekeeping tasks such as cleaning toys, dusting shelves, etc.

We will share with you extra available volunteer opportunities that you can sign up for, which will help fulfill your volunteer needs in between meetings.

We provide food! At meetings, we will offer snacks and drinks to give you time to socialize and to thank you for your commitment to us.

### *Meeting Dates*

2023 update:

Prescheduled meetings for the remainder of the 2022-23 school year have been cancelled.

We will have a special TAB meeting on **Wednesday, May 17 from 3:30 – 4:30 pm** to discuss Summer Reading Challenge volunteer opportunities! Please plan to attend if you are able and interested in volunteering this summer.

Meetings for the 2023-24 school year TBD.