

Attention: Parents of YAAC Members

Dear Parent:

Your son or daughter is a member of the City of Mesa Library's Young Adult Advisory Council (YAAC). As a member of YAAC, he or she will be selecting and reviewing books to be discussed during meetings and published in a monthly newsletter called *Open Shelf*, which is distributed to all area junior and senior high schools as well as in the library.

In addition, YAAC members may choose to read and review a young adult book that has received a complaint. The re-evaluation committee from the library may use these reviews as they consider moving the book to another area of the library. Although the YAAC reviews can be important to this evaluation, participation is voluntary. Urge your child to discuss each situation with you as it occurs.

Many books published for young adults are becoming more sexually graphic and are addressing potentially controversial topics. Before involving new YAAC members in the reviewing process, we remind parents that YAAC members are free to read and review any book they wish, either from the Young Adult Room or other areas of the library. With this in mind, please discuss any concerns you may have regarding potentially controversial subjects with your child, so that he or she can follow your guidelines if so desired.

Please sign the Volunteer Agreement where indicated stating you have read and understand the YAAC reviewing process and return it to the City of Mesa Library Volunteer Coordinator. If you would like to discuss this with us further, please feel free to call or stop by.

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