

## **Teen Volunteer FAQ's**

- **How old do I have to be to start volunteering at the library?**

You must be 13 yrs. or older to volunteer. Because we have so many requests, we give priority to older teens age 15 and up for the regular weekly shifts. All teens must have signed parental permission slip.

- **What will I do as a teen volunteer at the library?**

Getting books back on the shelves is our main volunteering position here at the library. You need to be detail-orientated and understand that the work is tedious but very important! Other tasks may include straightening & organizing shelves, general cleaning, preparing crafts and helping at special events.

- **How many service hours can I get?** We schedule volunteers in 2-hour shifts at certain times of the day, according to our needs. We ask that you commit to once a week, or at least every other week for a semester or the entire summer.

- **What about my family vacation or summer camp, etc?**

We understand that you are busy and have other commitments. We do ask that you let us know ahead of time if you know you can't make it in for your shift. We depend very much on our teen volunteers and ask that you treat your commitment to the library like a part-time job.

- **I can't commit to every week, but would like to get in some service hours...**

We have our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) that meets once a month (please check the library calendar) and you can earn a service hour just for participating and also during special service projects throughout the school year.

- **How do I get started?**

If you'd like to join our group of teen volunteers, fill out an application online. We will contact you and let you know if you have been chosen. Applications are on a first-come, first-serve basis. As we have a limited number of openings, we cannot guarantee that all applicants will be given a spot. If you are accepted, then a training and orientation session is required for all new volunteers. Questions? Contact us at [library@beecavetexas.gov](mailto:library@beecavetexas.gov).