

FACT SHEET

Middle Grade Book Club (Ages 10-13)

The middle grade book club will be a low-key time for pre-teens and young teens who love books to come together to chat, discover new books, make new friends and engage with a wide variety of art, building and tech materials. We will also have the chance to meet two nationally known award-winning authors and engage with a local author in a writing workshop. We will talk about LOTS of books and will read two books together during the summer.

The books we will read together this summer are:

***Penny Dreadful* by Laurel Snyder and *Garvey's Choice* by Nikki Grimes**

We will meet on Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. in the Large Meeting Room. From 2:30 – 2:45 youth can do some building and beading while everyone arrives. At 2:45 we will gather in our meeting space for our weekly discussion which will include time for our librarian to share great reads from the library shelves and youth to discuss their reading with each other. After our discussion youth are free to stay in our space to build and create with our materials until 4:30 p.m. Participation in the free play portion of the program requires attendance for the discussion at 2:45.

Our regular meeting dates are June 6, 13, and 20, and July 11 and 18. On June 27 and July 25 the meetings will be part of our summer Meet the Author events. You will have the chance to meet the authors of our summer reads. Laurel Snyder will be here in person on June 27 and Nikki Grimes will be here via Skype on July 25. See the **Meet the Author** flyer for more details.

For readers who are inspired to write their own stories, we have a bonus program on Saturday, July 20 that will feature a writing workshop especially for ages 10-13 with local author Mark Wallace Maguire. See the **You Can Write an Amazing Story** flyer for details.

Registration is NOT required for Middle Grade Book Club.

We do require:

Respect for leaders and other youth

Respect for library property and materials

Attendance at the discussion part of the program before attending the free-play portion of program.

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MEETING SCHEDULE

June 6	We will make sure everyone gets a copy of <i>Penny Dreadful</i> to check out and chat about books we have read and loved.
June 13	Our librarian will do some readings from some of the books mentioned in <i>Penny Dreadful</i> , and we will chat about books we never finished and why we didn't.
June 20	Book discussion day for <i>Penny Dreadful</i> . Check out your copy of <i>Garvey's Choice</i> by Nikki Grimes
June 27	Meet Laurel Snyder, the author of <i>Penny Dreadful</i>
July 11	Book Trivia Game
July 18	Book discussion day for <i>Garvey's Choice</i>
July 25	Meet Nikki Grimes via Skype