# "I COULDN'T GET A RIDE"

## Serving Teens When Your Library Isn't Walkable

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# WALKABILITY: PHYSICAL ACCESS & SAFETY



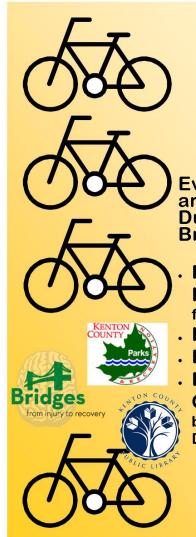
# WALKABILITY: PLACES TO GO



# WALKABILITY: PROXIMITY TO HOME



# GETTING THERE: PERMISSION



### Bike Safety Rodeo

Everyone & their bikes are invited to the Durr (Independence) Branch for

- FREE BIKE
  HELMETS
  from BRIDGES
- Helmet Fittings
- Bike Safety Tips
- Bicycle

Obstacle Course
by the Independence Police
Department

Saturday June 21 11am-1pm

# GETTING THERE: PICKING UP



# GETTING THERE: POOLS



#### **Parent Taxi Contest**

June 1-August 31

Hey parents of teens, it's your turn for a prize drawing! To show KCPL's appreciation for bringing your teen to Durr/Independence events this summer, we are raffling off 3 UDF gift cards for \$30 each, one at the end of each summer month! To enter, just fill out a form at the library each time you bring a teen to a program or event.



Teens in Programs

Teens Summer Reading

Entrants

Teens Readers

Teens that don't use the Library, YET...

Teens at Outreach

Teens Computer Users

Teens Hanging out in the Library

SERVICE POPULATION

# SERVING TEENS BY USING LIBRARY RESOURCES

or having a series of events?





## TEENS IN PROGRAMS

What will parents drive their teens to the library for?







#### Sharpie Mugs

Monday October 3 6-8 pm grades 6-12/ ages 11-18

All KCPL events & services are FREE!



Come make a Sharpie mug in the teen area! Supplies are limited so try to get here as close to 6pm as possible, please.

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Saturday, September 17 Free Play 11am-2pm Tournament at 2

Super Smash Bros on Saturday in September! Come anytime 11-2 for free play and lunch (pizza). Starting at 2pm, compete in the tournament for a Game Stop gift

> FREE & open to everyone grades 6-12



#### **TEENS IN PROGRAMS**

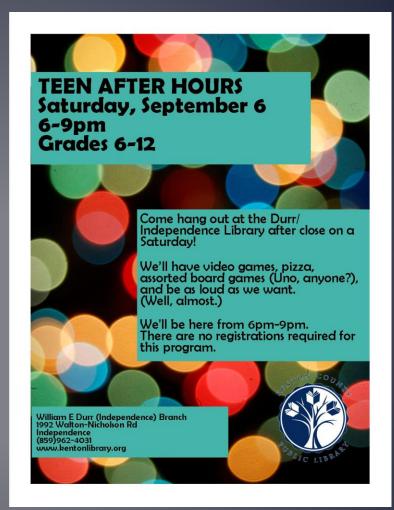
- Making educated guesses
- Not being afraid to fail
- Being given room to experiment
- Learning from everything



This program is part of "Bring/Be a Newbie & Win": bring a friend who has never come to a Durr teen program before and both of you get a prize, or make this your first Durr teen program and get a prize for yourself!

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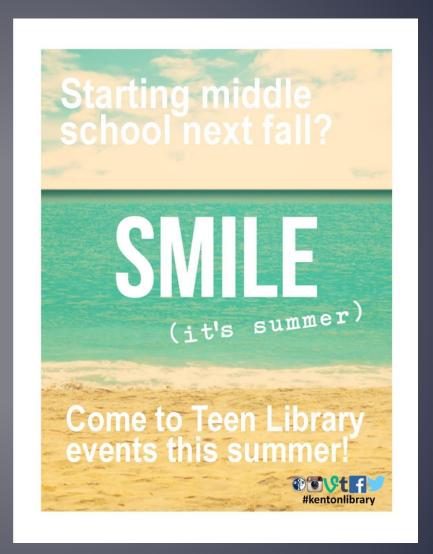
#### **TEENS IN PROGRAMS**

... and their parents.



## TEEN SUMMER READING ENTRANTS

- NO REGISTRATION
- no library card necessary
- online entries
- time limits?



#### TEEN READERS

- fine forgiveness plans
- passive & online readers advisory
- return bins at schools



## TEENS AT OUTREACH & CLASS VISITS

• Will they come to the library?



# "TEENS AREN'T ADDICTED TO SOCIAL MEDIA. THEY'RE ADDICTED TO EACH OTHER."

It's Complicated: the social lives of networked teens
Danah Boyd

#### **TEEN COMPUTER USERS**

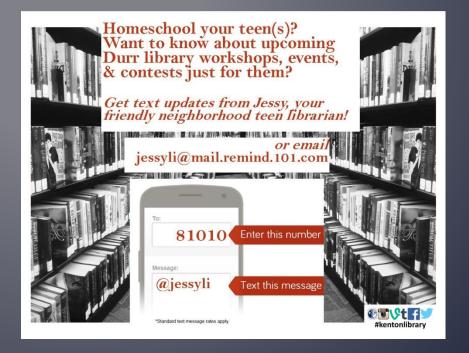
- what social media are your teens on?
- how do they use it?
- how should we use it to reach them?



#### **HOW WILL THEY KNOW**







#### **TEENS (NOT) HANGING OUT IN THE LIBRARY**

using that to create the best contests, passive programs, and displays

#### Teen Photography Contest

January 1-January 26 Grades 6-12

It's time for the Annual KCPL Teen Photo Contest! Do you take great photos? Phones, cameras, untouched, retouched...Everything is included!

First prize is a \$100 prepaid debit card and your photo as the cover for the KCPL Teens facebook page; 2nd prize is a \$50 prepaid debit

Submit up to 2 JPEG images as email attachments to kcplteens@gmail.com between January 1-January 26. Include your name, grade, and contact phone or e-mail. I will send a reply after I receive your photos. If you do not get a reply email, please try again or call the library. By entering the contest you are allowing the library to use the images in promotional materials and galleries both online and in print.

Maximum two entries per person. Judges will be library staff and volunteers. Winners will be announced at the gallery show Friday, January 29 at 6pm.

FREE to enter!

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last year's first place photo, by Taylor Crutcher



oh no! The Fault in our Stars is all checked out! Why not try one of these instead?

> Benway, Audrey, Wait! Brown, Hate List Burd, Vast Fields of Ordinary Caletti, The Nature of Jade Frazer, Secrets of Truth and Beauty Horner, A Love Story Starring My Dead Best Friend Johnson, The First Part Last Johnson, The Key to the Golden Firebird King, Everybody Sees the Ants Levithan, Two Boys Kissing Marchetta, The Piper's Son Pfeffer, The Dead and the Gone Rosenfield, Amelia Anne is Dead and Gone Rowell, Eleanor and Park Saenz, Sammy & Juliana in Hollywood Seigel, The Kid Table Tamaki, Skim Violi, Putting Makeup on Dead People

Zarr, Roomies

#### TEENS THAT DON'T USE THE LIBRARY AT ALL ...ANYMORE

WE

NEED

DIVERSE

BOOKS

BECAUSE IT'S

OUR REALITY

SHOULDN'T IT

BE OUR FICTION

## TEENS THAT DON'T USE THE LIBRARY AT ALL ...ANYMORE

If we create a continuum of library services at every age designed to appeal to the wants/needs of every developmental stage and their parents, maybe we'll hear this less...



## ...AND THIS MORE.



## YOU CAN DO THIS.



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