

Librarian's Shelf by Jessica Lee

### Programming for Teens

The Teen Space has a lot of great programs coming before we kick off Summer Reading! February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m., we will have Anime Club. Two Tuesdays a month you can watch amazing anime shows and eat food from Japan! Spring break is also right around the corner for many teenagers. We have several events during March for teens who want to have a fun afternoon. Starting at 11 a.m. on March 10<sup>th</sup>, the library will be hosting a movie day in the auditorium. Come and watch three movies and eat some popcorn. Also on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m., come and play the exciting game of Dungeons and Dragons! March 13<sup>th</sup> we will have our first ever Nerf Wars in the Teen Space! Teens can bring their own Nerf devices, but we will also provide several as well. To finish out March will be our Game Night on the 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Teen Space. Come and use our Nintendo Switch and Virtual Reality System. We will also have board games and snacks.

Our short story contest ends this month! These are the guidelines for entering our contest:

1. Entries must be typed using 12 point font
2. Entries must not go over 5 pages single spaced
3. Stories must have a title
4. Must write a story with a holiday included.
5. Entries must be turned in by February 28<sup>th</sup>!

Another exciting program that we are starting in the Teen Space is a podcast! Each month our teens will get the opportunity to come in and talk about a variety of topics, from anime to social interactions. Make sure to sign up with Jessica to get your month reserved!

There will be a lot of new programming in the next few months! Some of our events include: a Spa Day and a De-Stress Night. Make sure to keep an eye on our Facebook page to see all of the programs happening in the Teen Space.

The Columbus Public Library also has some amazing digital resources for teenagers. Tutor.com is one of them. Tutor.com provides on-demand tutoring, homework help, test preparation, and writing assistance in over 60 subjects for students from Kindergarten age up to adult. No appointment is needed. Tutors are available 3 p.m. - 10 p.m. CST. You can also use their drop-off reviews, practice quizzes, video lessons and The Princeton Review SAT®/ACT® Essentials to study 24/7.

Another resource for education is Mango. Mango is an online language learning system that teaches conversational skills and cultural insights. Choose from over 50 foreign languages and even English courses. Make sure to check out our Digital Library for access to these resources.

Make sure to stop by the Teen Space if you want to find out more about any of our programs! If you have any questions, please call me at 402-562-4203 or email me at [Jessica.Wilkinson@columbusne.us](mailto:Jessica.Wilkinson@columbusne.us).