2021 Fall Youth Services Workshops

Teen Services and Programming: Oceans of Possibilities



Teens in Colorado

438,000 teens 12-17 in 2020 (18% of total pop)

High school students who felt sad or hopeless during the past year: 34%

Teens and young adults 14 to 24 who live in low-income families: 37%

Students qualified for free or reduced-price lunch: 40%

Teens and young adults 14 to 24 without computer and highspeed internet access at home: 19%

Kids Count Data Center, Colorado, datacenter.kidscount.org/data#CO/2/0/char/0/284

2021 summer trends

Simplified structure

Outdoor events

Virtual events

New/improved partnerships

Take and make activities

Minimized incentives

More passive programs

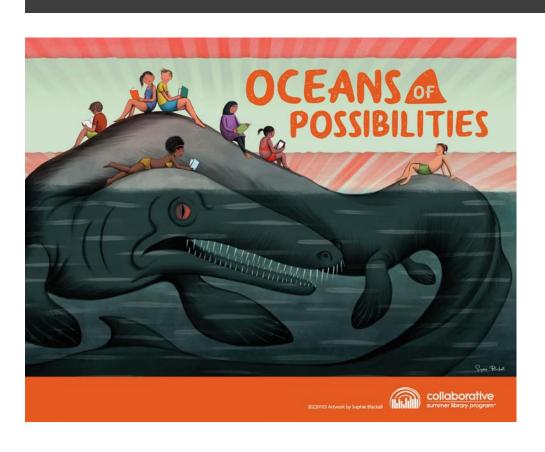
Small group events

More free food

Event registration

Online platforms

2022 CSLP Program

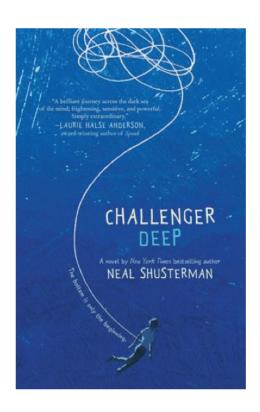


- Artist: Sophie Blackall
- Teen ideas in the manual
- The CSLP store is open!

Which YA book is this?



The answer is:



What can summer look like?

- Ask your teens!!
- Keep it simple
- Take it into your community
- Partnerships
- Teen-led
- Multiple formats
- Focus on underserved audiences
- Reduce barriers to participate
- Service based



Teen Summer Bingo Example

Use only 13 gallons of water a day—& challenge your friends to also	Bring your own reusable container to a restaurant to take home leftovers	Volunteer at an event to clean up a stream, river, or lake	Be creative—discover a new use for a broken or thrown out item	Research your favorite marine creature, or discover a new one
Unplug two electronic items when they're not in use	Time your shower, and shave 1 minute off of your next one	Walk, bike, or take public transportation instead of driving	Watch a documentary about oceans (find one at your library!)	Participate in a citizen science project to help the ocean
Repair an item instead of throwing it away	Bring a cloth tote bag to the store or library	FREE SPACE— Reader's Choice!	Skip the plastic straw at a restaurant	Make a 5-minute play list to help friends take shorter showers
Make your own reusable sandwich and snack bags	Take a virtual tour of an aquarium	Skip a shower	Learn more about how you can help protect oceans in a land-locked state	Choose an item with paper or glass packaging over plastic
Celebrate with reusable decorations instead of balloons	Choose toothpaste and face washes without microbeads	Ask local restaurants to use paper-based take-out boxes, cups, utensils, and straws	Join an ocean conservation expedition virtually	Ditch plastic water bottles for a reusable one

Conservation ideas

- Bookmark climate change
- Be an ocean hero challenge/Bingo
- Teen-organized clothing swap
- Community-wide citizen science project
- Partner to host a waterway cleanup event
- Donate to an environmental cause instead of incentives

Teen services

- Outreach to underserved audiences
- Collections and online resources
- Equipment/makerspace
- Safe space
- Trusted staff
- Connections
- Partnerships
- Basic needs



Longmont Public Library

Teen Book Club Kits

... because reading is more fun with friends.

Teen Book Club Kits are created for tweens and teens to facilitate a communal reading experience, whether as a formal book club, or just a group of friends. These kits contain multiple copies of a single popular title, along with materials to prompt discussion about the book.



Teen Experience Bags

...because the struggle is real.

Teen Experience Bags are designed middle school through high school aged teens facing experiences that can be stressful, scary or cause apprehension. They are also designed to provide an escape from the many obligations and assignments facing teens. These bags include books, videos, music, and games

to help provide respite during turbulent times. The materials in these bags come in many formats that are geared towards answering questions and providing down-time enjoyment to teens.

Upcoming sessions

Mon, Oct 25:

- 11:00-12:30: Programming and services for kids and tweens
- 12:30-1:00: Growing Readers Together

Thurs, Oct 28:

- 12:30-1:00: Linking Reimagining School Readiness to oceanography
- 1:00-1:30: How to plan in uncertain times
- 1:30-2:30: Discussion & networking time





9:30-2:30 MT FREE!!

Featuring keynote speaker Liz McChesney Registration now open!!