

# Kingston Frontenac Public Library Teen Advisory Group

#### What is TAG?

TAG is an acronym for the Teen Advisory Group, a youth-led library programming and community development opportunity for teens!

TAG members receive volunteer hours for attending monthly meetings, helping to develop library programs for other teens, and for participating in other TAG and KFPL projects.

As a TAG member, you will:

- Gain leadership and teamwork skills
- Make a difference for teens at the public library and in the community
- Develop relationships with teens from other area high schools

#### What do TAG members do?

- Attend an orientation meeting and agree to certain expectations regarding attendance, communication when unable to attend, and respectful behaviour
- Plan and promote teen programs and support the other work of KFPL programmers
- Recommend books, magazines, music, DVDs and other materials for the library to purchase
- Compile lists and write short reviews or social media posts to recommend books to other teen readers
- Assist at community events, such as Science Rendezvous and the Santa Claus Parade

#### What is the time commitment?

TAG members are required to commit for the school year. Members are expected to attend monthly meetings (1.5 hours/meeting), one TAG event in the fall, and one TAG event in the winter/spring semester.

TAG members are also expected to assist at one additional KFPL event during the TAG season, such as Science Rendezvous or the Santa Claus Parade. TAG members can earn



additional volunteer hours by assisting the library with other community events and programs throughout the year.

### Who can join?

Teens living in or attending high school in Kingston and the Townships of Frontenac are welcome to apply.

To join, complete the attached membership form. If there is an open space in the TAG, we will call or email you to set up a quick interview.

Once accepted, youth ages 18 and older will need to provide a criminal record check. The cost will be refunded after you have attended three meetings.

Youth under the age of 18 will need to provide a reference from a teacher, a coach, or another adult who is not a family member. A form will be provided.

#### Contact

For more information or to apply, please contact the TAG coordinators at <u>teen-advisory-group@kfpl.ca</u>.



## **Teen Advisory Group Application Form**

First Name:
Last Name:
Phone Number:
Email Address:
Street Address:
School Name:
Grade Level (Grade 9, 10, 11 or 12):
Age:
Application Date:
Which TAG group would you like to join? (Isabel Turner Branch, Virtual TAG)
Tell us what you can offer to the Teen Advisory Group.
Please sign your name below if you accept the following statement.
If I am accepted into TAG and I am 18 years old or older, I will provide the Kingston Frontenac Public Library with a current Criminal Record Check (Vulnerable Sector). The Library will refund the cost after I attend three TAG meetings/events.

Signature Date

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