

Youth Services Policy

1. Mission Statement

The Seminole Community Library Youth Services Section promotes reading and learning as an important part of family life. We provide a welcoming environment where children, teens, parents, teachers, and childcare providers have access to information and ideas.

2. Collections

The Youth Services Section offers a broad selection of materials for age's birth through high school. The library also offers a special Parent/Teacher Collection that includes material for teachers, parents, childcare providers and caregivers.

Included in the Youth Services collection are:

- o Board Books
- o Easy Readers
- o Picture Books
- o Juvenile and Young Adult Fiction
- o Sunshine State Young Readers Award Books (Grades 3-5 and 6-8)
- o Juvenile and Young Adult Nonfiction
- o Juvenile and Young Adult Biographies
- o Juvenile and Young Adult Graphic Novels
- o Reference Material
- o Juvenile Magazines
- o Family DVDs
- o Juvenile and Young Adult Audio Books
- o Juvenile Music CDs
- o Homeschooling Material

- Parent/Teacher Collection

3. Programming

The Youth Services Section provides a variety of programs throughout the year

- Baby Time
- Toddler Storytime
- Preschool Storytime
- Music and Movement Programs
- Elementary Programs
- Teen Programs
- Library Teen Board Activities and Meetings
- Family Movies
- Annual Summer Reading Program
- Book Clubs
- Thematic Special Programs and Events

The Youth Services Section also participates in various events sponsored by the City of Seminole as appropriate.

4. Services

- Provide reference and readers' advisory service
- Offer a collection that meets the recreational and informational needs of the community
- Provide computer access
- Assist the public in the use of library material and equipment
- Provide tours of the youth and teen areas
- Schedule class or group visits

- Plan and present public programs
- Offer outreach programs to public and private schools, daycares, and other community organizations that serve children
- Provide tutoring services to school aged children
- Provide technology assistance to the public
- Coordinate and supervise a Library Teen Board Volunteer Program
- Represent the Library at community events

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