

[Insert Library Name]

TELL US WHAT YOU WANT IN YOUR NEW TEEN AREA

An Online Survey

The [insert library name] is in the planning stages of creating a **new teen area**. We would like your input on the library and the new teen space, so if you are between the ages of thirteen and eighteen, please take a few moments to fill out this survey. You'll help us better serve you and get a chance to win a [enter name/type of prize].

1. Where do you like to hang out? Select as many as you like.

Answer format: radio buttons or check boxes so they can select multiple answers. Potential answers:

- The mall
- My bedroom/My house
- Friends' houses
- Other _____ [short text box for inputting information]
- Online
- School events
- Bookstores

2. How do you communicate with your friends? Select as many as you like.

Answer format: radio buttons or check boxes so they can select multiple answers. Potential answers:

- IM
- Text messaging
- E-mail
- Other _____ [short text box for inputting information]
- Phone
- MySpace, YouTube, Facebook, etc.

3. How often do you come to the public library?

Answer format: radio buttons or check boxes. They may select only one answer here. Potential answers:

- every day
- once a week
- once a month
- a few times a year
- once a year
- never

4. What do you like about the public library?

Answer format: text box so they can type their answer

5. What do you dislike about the public library?

Answer format: text box so they can type their answer

6. Why do you use the library?

Answer format: radio buttons or check boxes so they can select multiple answers. Potential answers:

- to use the Internet
- to do homework/research
- to hang out with friends
- to read magazines
- to borrow materials (books, music CDs, videos/DVDs, magazines/newspapers, etc.)

- to read
- to find information of personal interest
- to get help from a librarian
- to attend library programs and events
- other _____ [*short text box for inputting information*]

7. What would make you want to use the library more?

Answer format: radio buttons or check boxes so they can select multiple answers. Potential answers:

- having a space just for teens that is comfortable and welcoming where I can hang out
- adding more computers
- bringing in more technologies such as listening stations, big-screen TV, etc.
- adding more magazines
- adding more books
- adding more music CDs and videos/DVDs
- friendlier library workers
- having a café, vending machines, etc.
- more interesting library programs and events
- other _____ [*short text box for inputting information*]

Additional comments or suggestions [*Include a text box here so they can type in additional comments.*]

8. What kind of “look and feel” would you like the library’s teen/young adult area to have? Please think about your favorite places to hang out. What makes them so wonderful? How can the library create a space that is warm and welcoming to teenagers? What colors, furnishings, etc., appeal to you and others you know? Describe your ideas below.

Answer format: text box so they can type their answer

9. Would you be willing to serve on a teen space planning committee and or a teen advisory board to help plan the new teen area?

Answer format: radio buttons or check boxes. They may select only one answer here. Potential answers:

- Yes No Maybe—I’d like more information

If you answered Yes or Maybe, please provide your name and a way to contact you.

Answer format: text box so they can type their answer

10. Optional: If you would like a chance to win a **[enter name/type of prize]** please complete the following information.

Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade level: _____

Phone number: _____ E-mail address: _____

Gender: Male Female

Thank you for helping us.

Stay tuned for more information on your new space!