

FLAT ROCK GUYS READ BOOK CLUB PERMISSION SLIP

Please sign and return the attached permission form no later than January 28th. We look forward to this opportunity and hope you will allow your child to join us.

Format and Meetings:

We will generally have book club meetings every first and third Friday of the month in the morning before school. These pre-set meetings will allow students time to read book club selections and prepare for the discussions. Book club participants will have approximately two or three weeks to read the book club selection. In general, the first meeting of the month will be used to discuss the first half of the book, and the second meeting will serve to wrap up the discussions and share final reflections on the readings.

Although questions will be prepared for discussion ahead of time, guys will be encouraged to bring their own questions and "noticings" to the meeting.

Content and Book Selection:

This club is based on the idea that our guys will be inspired by the guys and men featured in the MG (Middle Grade) and YA (Young Adult) literature selected. These main characters are guys and men from many different cultures who courageously stand up for what they believe, pursue dreams that others viewed as impossible, and find solutions to major problems. These books are selected with the intention of providing book club members with lots of opportunities to engage in meaningful conversations about some of the many ways these "he-ros" maintained hope and inspiration through various obstacles. These books are recreational/student choice readings, meaning these are not "required books" or books for their English/Reading classes.

The books that we read are selected by the advisors and student officers, and other than ensuring the books are appropriate for middle schoolers in general, it is the parent/guardian's duty to decide if the selection is appropriate for their child.

Costs and Commitments:

We have no fees, but all boys are responsible for acquiring their copy of the book club selection. Families should feel free to purchase or borrow their own copy for their student in whichever format they prefer (paperback, hardcover, or e-book). Guys may also purchase club t-shirts later in the year.

The guys are also expected to attend all meetings and be an active participant. We will be running on a four strike attendance system, so *if you are not able to attend a meeting for whatever reason, please contact Mr. Hynson so your absence will not be counted against you.*

Communication:

We will send out emails with information when necessary. It is important to read these emails, as they will contain important information relating to the club.

Flat Rock Guys Read Official Site:

<https://sites.google.com/mail.fcboe.org/flat-rock-guys-read-club/home>

If you have any questions, please contact the FRMS "Guys Read" book club

sponsors: Clifford Darrell Hynson

hynson.darrell@mail.fcboe.org

My child, _____ has permission to participate in the "Guys Read" Book Club. I will ensure that they secure a copy of each book (if you deem it is appropriate) and attend meetings and events.

{Parent email}

(Parent signature)

GUYS READ BOOK CLUB APPLICATION

Name: _____ Date: _____

Grade: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

What book are you currently reading? (Title/ Author):

About how much time do you spend reading for pleasure per week?

What kind of books are you most interested in reading?

What are some reasons you think the Guys Read Book Club would be a good club for you?
