

Hello Middle School Families!

Now that the middle and high school have merged into one building, our library spaces have also merged. The middle and high school libraries are separate entities, they are housed on two sides of the same space, separated by a retractable wall. Our intention is to keep the two libraries separate, but there will be times when middle school students will request to check out books from the high school, or when the next logical step, reading-level wise, is available in one library but not the other.

In an effort to maintain transparency, we feel it is important for parents to understand that some of the books in the high school library deal with more mature topics and themes than those in the middle school library. It is never our intention to censor what our students have access to, but we do want to make sure that families are aware of this potential issue. We ask that guardians, after reviewing this letter, make a decision about whether or not they feel comfortable with their middle school students having the option to check out materials from the high school library.

With all of our students, we recommend that parents and guardians check in frequently about what their students are reading. These conversations are vital, not only to ensure that your student is comfortable with the material at hand, but also to help them build their skills as readers. If you are not comfortable with your student checking out books from the high school library, please complete the form below and have your student return it to the library.

Thank you!

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Student's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

☐ I am NOT comfortable with my student checking out materials from the high school library while he or she is in middle school.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____