

LIBRARY RESOURCES

Central York School District students, known as library patrons, have access to all the resources available in their District’s online library catalog known as Destiny. Library resources can then be shared through the inter-library loan system for school assignments as well as independent reading.

In accordance with Policy 109.1, parents have the ability to restrict the library resources their child/children can access. Each resource within the Central York library system is categorized within Destiny into one of five (5) categories which include:

- Juvenile Literature
- Children’s Literature
- Young Adult Literature
- Adult Literature
- Adult Literature with Mature Content

The Central York School District recognizes the right of all parents/guardians to choose the categories of literature they wish their child/children to have access to. Definitions and criteria for these literature categories can be found in Policy 109.1 as well as in this AR. All library materials are available for parent/guardian review through the online catalog accessible on the District website.

This form can be used as a tool for parents/guardians to limit access to any or all categories of library literature as outlined above. A parent/guardian should **ONLY** complete this form if you wish to limit your child’s/children’s access.

If you wish to restrict access to any literature category, please check the appropriate box/boxes below and return this form to your child’s school librarian. This selection will need to be made annually and may be changed at any time.

- Juvenile Literature
- Children’s Literature
- Young Adult Literature
- Adult Literature (only available to students in grades 4-12)
- Adult Literature with Mature Content (only available to students in grades 9-12)

Parents/Guardians also have the ability to contact the school librarian in writing with individual requests which may include restricting specific titles, books, or authors for their child.

Additionally, the CYSO libraries also house a collection of e-books available to all students. However, the online catalog system does not allow for restriction of e-books by categories, therefore if a parent /guardian wishes for their child/children to have restricted access to the e-book selection, you should check the line below, otherwise all e-books would be available to your child/children.

No, I do not wish for my child/children to have access to CYSO e-books.

Childs Name: _____

Building: _____ Grade Level: _____

Parent Name (printed): _____

Parent Signature: _____

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Definitions

Juvenile Literature includes stories, books, and poems written and produced for children and classified in two (2) ways: genre or intended age of the reader. These resources may look like picture books or short chapter books with simple, short sentences, uncomplicated story lines of text supported by illustrations. The age range of readers associated with this classification is typically recognized as five (5) to nine (9) years old.

Children's Literature includes stories, books, and poems written and produced for children and classified in two (2) ways: genre or intended age of the reader. These resources may look like picture books, short chapter books, chapter books, and graphic novels supported by illustrations. Children's literature is characterized by simple, straight-forward text, action to maintain interest of the reader, includes characters who are children, and is most often told from a child's point of view. The age range of readers associated with this classification is typically recognized as seven (7) to twelve (12) years old.

Young Adult Literature includes stories, books, and poems written and produced for young adults and classified in two (2) ways: genre or intended age of the reader. Young adult literature is generally characterized as having more advanced and emotional themes. It often includes themes of friendship, common conflicts, forming romantic relationships, and self-responsibility. Young adult content is not typically graphic or gratuitous in nature, however it may include topics such as sex, violence, language, drug and alcohol use. Characters in young adult literature are usually representative of children twelve (12) to eighteen (18) years of age. The age range of readers associated with this classification is typically recognized as twelve (12) to eighteen (18) years old.

Adult Literature includes stories, books, and poems written and produced for young adults and adults and classified in two (2) ways: genre or intended age of the reader. Voice of the text is told from an adult perspective. It often includes themes of friendship, common conflicts, forming romantic relationships, and self-responsibility. Adult literature may include more mature themes such as sex, violence, language, drug and alcohol use, voice and style targeted to older adolescents and adults, and protagonists usually identified as eighteen (18) years old and older. The age range of readers associated with this classification is typically recognized as thirteen (13) years old or older.

Adult Literature with Mature Content includes stories, books, and poems written and produced for young adults and adults and classified in two (2) ways: genre or intended age of the reader. Voice of the text is often told from an adult perspective. It often includes themes of friendship, common conflicts, forming romantic relationships, and self-responsibility. Adult literature is generally characterized as having mature themes such as sex, violence, drug and alcohol use, voice and style targeted to older adolescents and adults, and protagonists usually identified as eighteen (18) years old and older. Adult literature with mature content is likely to depict explicit scenes, language, and situations that provide details of graphic subject matter.