



## Beals Library Teen Discord Permission Form

The Beals Memorial Library utilizes the following online service for teens in grades 7-12, or ages 13-19:

- **Discord**, a communication app used by gaming groups, school clubs, and other social groups. (<https://discord.com/>)

We have chosen to use this online service because Discord is the preferred platform for the above-stated types of groups and has become the standard used among other libraries for teens to participate in a virtual capacity. The library uses Discord for purposes that include: maintaining contact with teens participating in ongoing programs/clubs, to schedule notifications and information updates, to share event news with participating teens, to answer teen’s library reference questions, and to gather teen advisory data regarding books, programs, and services to better serve their demographic. To maintain the safety of participants, the library’s Discord account is a private, invitation-only server. It is carefully moderated by library personnel. It consists of a main server for general discussion and news, and separate club channels for all current ongoing clubs/programs. Future ongoing clubs/programs will be given separate club channels. These club channels are member-locked, so only the participants may enter those sections of the Discord server. **For more information, please view our Teen Discord Use Policy:**

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, give permission for my child to participate in the online platform [Discord] utilized by the Beals Memorial Library for participation in library programs in a virtual capacity. By signing this form, I also understand and acknowledge that my child may be contacted by library personnel regarding club/program-related notifications, news, or questions. **(Please drop off in library’s drop off box, email, or text us a picture of the signed slip).**

**If your child is a member of one of the library’s ongoing clubs/programs, let us know below so we know to invite them to that club’s page in addition to the general server.**

- Beals Teen Advisory Board (BTAB)
- Teen Dungeons & Dragons Club (D&D)
- Teen Gender & Sexuality Alliance (GSA)

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Teen’s Name

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Teen’s Email

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Teen’s Signature

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Parent/Guardian’s Signature

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Date

**Please Check:**

- Yes, I will allow my child to be a part of the library’s Discord groups.
- No, I will not allow my child to be a part of the library’s Discord groups.

If you have any questions, contact library staff member, Kayla, at 978-297-0300 or email at [bealsmemoriallibrary@gmail.com](mailto:bealsmemoriallibrary@gmail.com).