



The 2020 Census

written by Kennedy L.N.

2020 has been a difficult time for everyone. With the virus, people have lost their homes, jobs, and much more. The 2020 Census is important to me because it shows where funding needs to go. There are people who were already struggling trying to find a job before this that were on unemployment and welfare. When things started to shut down, it only got harder for them. These people have families that need basic utilities, food, clothing, and supplies for their education. I think it's very important to fill out the census so the government knows where the funding is needed the most. Schools are also struggling during this time and I think it's important to think about the younger kids and generations who don't fully understand what is happening that are also struggling with these new lifestyle changes.

The library is also something to take into consideration because of the activity and resources they give to me as a high-school student, the children in the children's department, but also the adults who are using these resources. The library has been giving lots of useful resources all throughout this pandemic. I greatly appreciate all of the resources they have because it gives people a chance who can't go to college or don't have the access to do some things online. I'm so grateful that we have the technology that we have during this time because it makes everyone's lives easier. These are all reasons why the 2020 Census is important for our community.

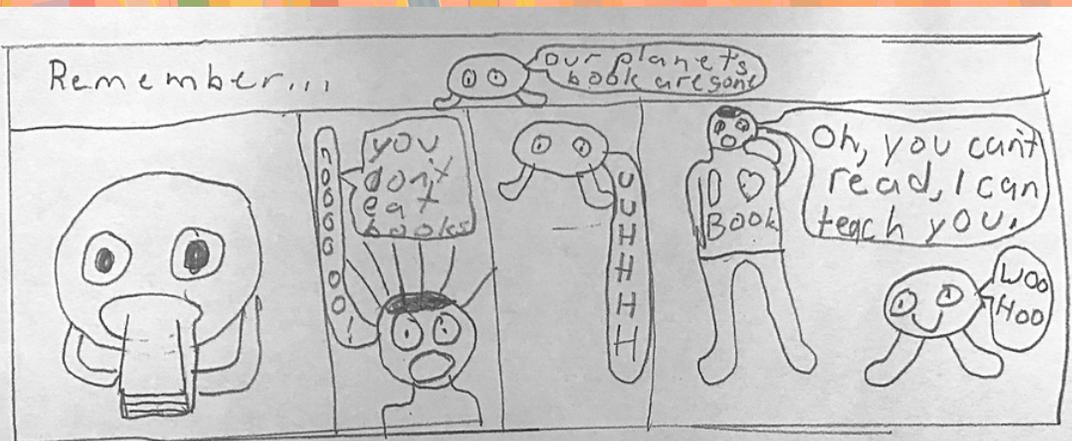
There is still time to complete the 2020 Census! Stop by your local library and ask how you can fill out the census online.



Halloween Watch Party and Costume Party via Kast

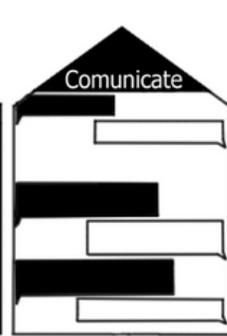
Join us online October 29th at 5pm - 7 pm in your Halloween costume for a costume contest, and a movie via Kast!

Enhance your party experience by picking up a Halloween party bag at the library. This bag will include sweet Halloween treats, a jack-o-lantern craft, a few free comics, and a spooky surprise library book! These Halloween party bags are first come first serve and available at the downtown branch, Martinsburg Public Library, for patrons age 12-18!



by Tucker W.

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A List of Xylia's Favorite Things at the Library

Books

- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J.K. Rowling
- Twilight by Stephanie Meyer
- The Darkest Minds by Alexandra Bracken
- The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
- Part of Your World : A Twisted Tale by Liz Braswell

Manga/Anime

- My Hero Academia by Kohei Horikoshi
- Pretty Guardian Sailor Moon by Naoko Takeuchi
- Unofficial Hatsune Mix by Kei Sasuga
- Ouran High School Host Club by Bisco Hatori
- Snow White with the Red Hair by Sorata Akizuki

Games

- Splatoon 2 (Nintendo Switch)
- Animal Crossing: New Horizons (Nintendo Switch)
- Minecraft (Nintendo Switch) (PS4) (Xbox One)
- LEGO Harry Potter collection (Nintendo Switch) (PS4) (Xbox One)
- Just dance 2020 (Nintendo Switch)

DVD'S

- My Hero Academia, Season one.
- Sailor Moon, Season 1, part 1
- All The Harry Potter movies
- Ouran High School Host Club: The Complete Series
- Disney's Hocus Pocus
- Disney's The Nightmare Before Christmas

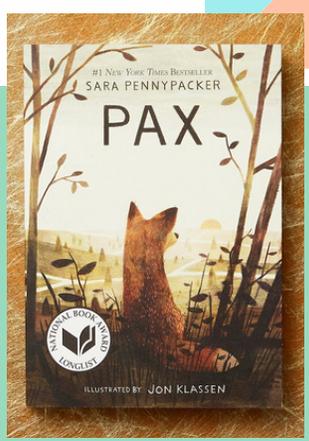
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take a

SCREEN Break

CHECK OUT A

board game



Review by Tucker W.

"Pax" by Sara Pennypacker was an amazing book about a boy and his fox. I enjoyed reading it, and it is one of the small few books that made me cry. It was written beautifully and created a vivid world in my mind. Chapters alternate between two stories full of excitement, suspense, adventure and friends along the way. I loved reading this book.

This book was kind of out of my zone, and one of the most emotional books I've ever read, but I still think it is a must-read. I would recommend it to fans of "The Underneath" by Kathi Appelt, another emotional favorite of mine that also made me cry.

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