

Volunteer Application
Middle Country Public Library Mutt Club
Applicants must be in 6th-12th grade to apply

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Town: _____ Zipcode: _____

Telephone #: _____

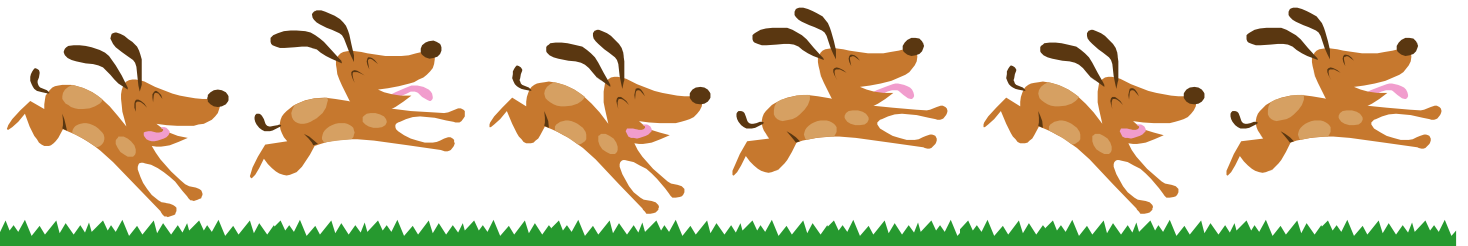
Email Address: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Mutt Club members work on projects for local animal shelters and volunteer at the library. Mutt Club members should have a love for animals, be creative, be committed, and be able to work with others.

Please help us get to know you by answering the following questions:

1. What qualities would you bring to the Mutt Club?
2. List other programs you have participated in at the library:



3. List 2 ideas that the Mutt Club could do to help local animal shelters:

4. Describe 1 program idea—helping local shelters or raising awareness to local shelter animals- that Mutt Club members could run for children at the library:

5. The Mutt Club meets once a month, the last Wednesday of the month. Volunteer opportunities are scheduled throughout the program quarter. Would you have a problem attending a majority of the meetings?

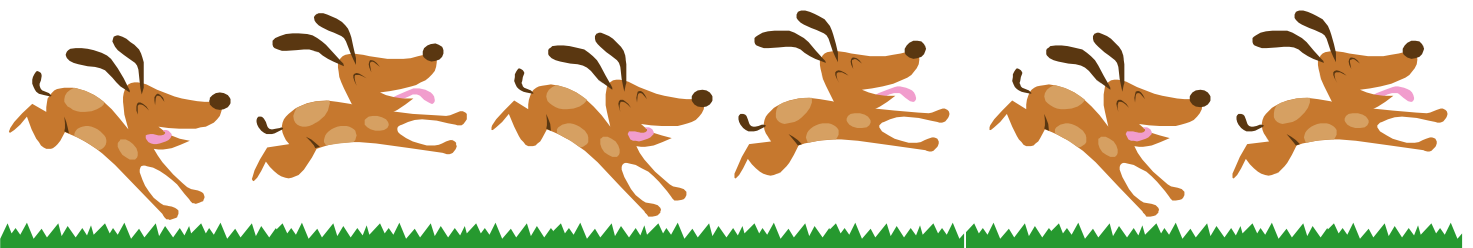
As a member of the Mutt Club, you will be making a commitment to attend meetings and events throughout the year. Please read and sign the attached Mutt Club contract in addition to this initial application.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

I am aware that my teen is applying for a volunteer position in the Middle Country Public Library's Mutt Club.

Signature of parent or guardian: _____ Date: _____

Please complete all parts to this volunteer application and return it to Middle Country Public Library, to the attention of Sara Fade 585-9393, ext 218. Thank you!



Mutt Club Contract
Rules & Responsibilities



Volunteers must agree to ALL the rules and responsibilities below in order to participate in the Mutt Club.



- ❖ To be considered an active member of the Mutt Club, you must attend a minimum of one Mutt Club meeting a quarter in order to attend any field trips or volunteer at club events.
- ❖ Volunteering is a serious commitment. If you volunteer, you must contact Ms. Fade if a schedule conflict arises and you can no longer attend.
- ❖ Mutt Club members are expected to behave appropriately at all Mutt Club meetings and events, **especially when the Mutt Club has special guests**. The library's patron behavior policy must be followed (see attached).
- ❖ Volunteer hours are mailed to each participant after each program quarter, however, volunteer hours are always available upon request.
- ❖ Mutt Club members are to respect all guests and their animals that they bring. Mutt Club members must ask guests permission before they can touch any animal brought into any Mutt Club meeting.

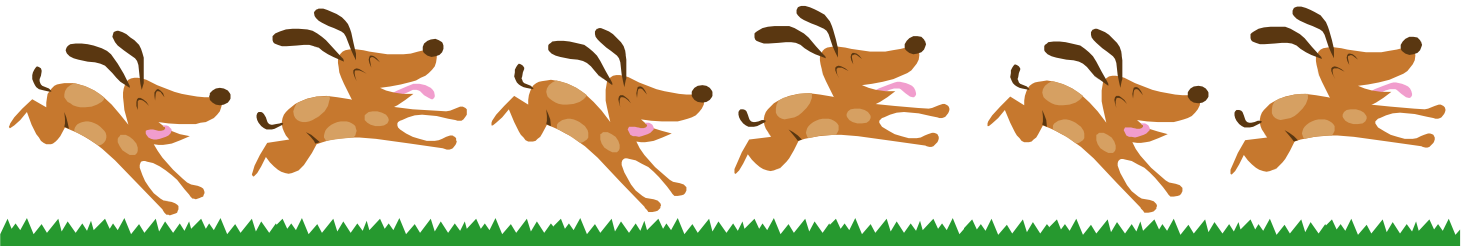
Please sign and date this contract. All contracts should be returned to Ms. Fade at any teen reference desk or adult reference desk.

Print Name

Date

Sign Name

Parent Signature



Patron Behavior Policy

Patrons shall engage in reading, studying, using library materials or similar activities associated with the use of a public library. Any person not so engaged may be required to leave the library premises.

Patrons are prohibited from engaging in any activity which constitutes an annoyance, disruption or distraction to patrons and the orderly and peaceful utilization of the library and library premises such as:

engaging in loud or boisterous activities

engaging in a course of conduct which alarms "or seriously annoys" another person and would serve no legitimate purpose; such prohibition to include the striking, shoving, kicking, unpermitted touching, or otherwise subjecting another person to physical contact or attempting or threatening to do so

engaging in unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature, including viewing material of a pornographic nature.

making obscene gestures or using abusive language

disturbing one or more persons by arguing, propagandizing or preaching

playing audio or video equipment so that others are disturbed

staring at another person or following another person about the premises such that the other person could reasonably be considered to be annoyed or disturbed

eating, except for Library approved programs

smoking, including E-cigarettes, in the building or within a fifty foot radius of any entrance or exit

using or carrying skateboards on Library premises

using cell phones in other than designated areas

congregating, soliciting, sleeping, drinking alcoholic beverages or using illegal drugs or possessing or using a dangerous weapon on library premises

rearranging library furniture or defacing, damaging or destroying library material, equipment or property

sitting on or putting feet on library tables

entering the building without footwear as well as both upper and lower body covering

evidencing bodily hygiene so offensive as to constitute a nuisance to other persons

bringing any pets, with the exception of trained guide dogs or pets assisting disabled persons

leaving children unattended on the premises

Library personnel and security guards will enforce these rules. Patrons not complying will be asked to leave. Library personnel and Security guards are authorized to contact the police if necessary.

Any patron who violates the Library rules and regulations may be denied the privilege of access to the Library by the Library Board of Trustees, on recommendation of the Library Director. Any patron whose privileges have been denied may have that decision reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

***Adopted January 19, 1994 by the Board of Trustees of the Middle Country Public Library.
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September 18, 2013.***