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## **Reading, Photo Challenges Highlight DPLS 'Teentober' Celebration**

[DEFIANCE] – This October, Defiance Public Library System (DPLS) is participating in the Young Adult Library Services Association's (YALSA) annual Teentober celebration with a pair of challenges for youth in grades 6-12.

Developed by YALSA, the month-long Teentober event aims to raise awareness of the importance of year-round teen services and connect teens with services and materials provided by their local libraries.

The Teentober Book Nerd Reading Challenge will take place Oct. 1-Nov. 4. Pick up a reading list at any DPLS library (Defiance, Hicksville, or Sherwood), or download the list at [defiancelibrary.org/teentober](http://defiancelibrary.org/teentober). Read or listen to three books from the categories on the list and return your log to the library to be entered into a prize drawing.

Also, through the month of October, young photographers can take part in the Teentober Photography Contest. The theme for entries is 'October.' For a complete list of rules and an entry form, visit any DPLS library or [defiancelibrary.org/photos](http://defiancelibrary.org/photos). First place will receive a Bisofice PeriPage Mini Thermal Printer, second place will receive an Aureday 12" ring light with stand, and the fan favorite will win a \$10 Amazon gift card.

Entries for both contests must be submitted by Nov. 4. For more information, contact the library at 419-782-1456.

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