

# THE T.A.G. CONNECTION

Abilene Public Library T.A.G. Newsletter



## NEW HOURS

**Monday - Friday**  
**9:00 am - 5:30 pm**

**Saturday**  
**9:00 am - 2:00 pm**



## T.A.G. Update

*by Sponsor Kat McKee*

February is a busy month. We celebrate Black History by honoring and recognizing black leaders in America. It is also Library Lovers month. Why not combine the two and come to the library and choose a book about your favorite black leader or written by a black author. I would love the opportunity to help you find something.

We also celebrate Valentines Day and Presidents Day. Come in and attach a heart to your favorite book or browse to see what books others recommend. Stop by and register for Valentines Day book drawing and pick up some activity sheets.

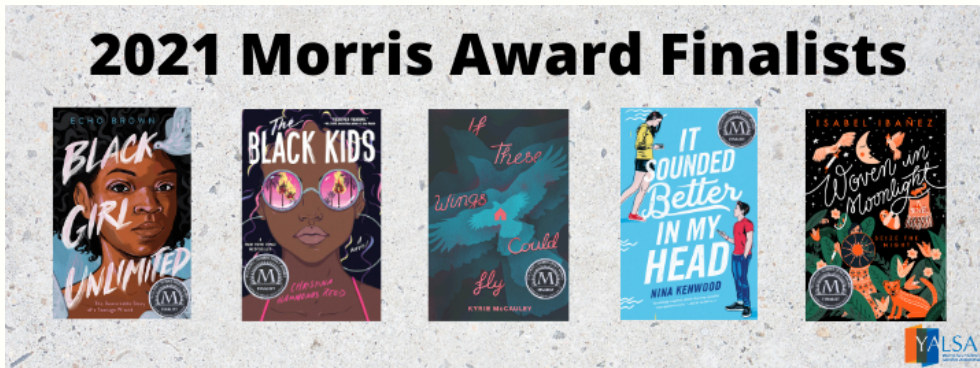
Stay healthy :)



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Connecting you to the world

## And the Winners are:

### 2021 Morris Award Finalists



#### 2021 Morris Award

*If These Wings Could Fly*  
by:Kyrie McCauley

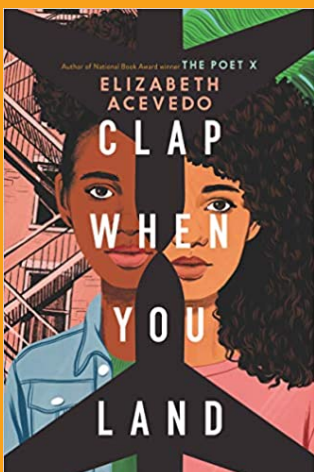
### 2021 Nonfiction Award Finalists



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*The Rise and Fall of Charles Lindbergh*  
bu: Candace Fleming

## Book of the month



IN A NOVEL-IN-VERSE THAT BRIMS WITH GRIEF AND LOVE, NATIONAL BOOK AWARD-WINNING AND NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR ELIZABETH ACEVEDO WRITES ABOUT THE DEVASTATION OF LOSS, THE DIFFICULTY OF FORGIVENESS, AND THE BITTERSWEET BONDS THAT SHAPE OUR LIVES.

CAMINO RIOS LIVES FOR THE SUMMERS WHEN HER FATHER VISITS HER IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. BUT THIS TIME, ON THE DAY WHEN HIS PLANE IS SUPPOSED TO LAND, CAMINO ARRIVES AT THE AIRPORT TO SEE CROWDS OF CRYING PEOPLE...

IN NEW YORK CITY, YAHAIRA RIOS IS CALLED TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE, WHERE HER MOTHER IS WAITING TO TELL HER THAT HER FATHER, HER HERO, HAS DIED IN A PLANE CRASH.

SEPARATED BY DISTANCE—AND PAPI'S SECRETS—THE TWO GIRLS ARE FORCED TO FACE A NEW REALITY IN WHICH THEIR FATHER IS DEAD AND THEIR LIVES ARE FOREVER ALTERED.

AND THEN, WHEN IT SEEMS LIKE THEY'VE LOST EVERYTHING OF THEIR FATHER, THEY LEARN OF EACH OTHER. - AMAZON



## LEARN TO CODE AND CHANGE THE WORLD THIS SUMMER!

**NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED. FREE TO APPLY, FREE TO  
ATTEND, AND STIPENDS FOR QUALIFYING STUDENTS!**

### APPLY TO GIRLS WHO CODE'S FREE VIRTUAL SUMMER IMMERSION PROGRAM

“You could feel the love and support in the room every single day, and the TAs and Instructors did an **AMAZING** job of creating a community [where] we felt safe to show up authentically as ourselves every day, and not be afraid to fail. It exceeded my expectations, and I'm so happy that I decided to apply! I've never experienced a program like this before.” - *Virtual SIP 2020 Alumna*

Make this summer unforgettable with our **FREE virtual 2-week summer program**, where you'll join a supportive sisterhood and learn the computer science skills you need to make an impact in your community! Girls and non-binary students in the 9th - 11th grade (rising sophomores, juniors and seniors) are eligible to apply.



#### CAREER

Meet inspiring female role models in the field and get an inside look at the tech world through guest speakers and virtual classrooms hosted by the world's top companies, like Twitter, AT&T, Bank of America, and Walmart.



#### ACTIVISM

Take a stand and make an impact on what matters to you by learning to code through 3 hands-on, real-world projects—all utilizing HTML, CSS and JavaScript.



#### SISTERHOOD

Learn in a supportive environment and make life-long, inspiring friendships with students from across the country.

**APPLY NOW FOR SUMMER 2021 AT  
[GIRLSWHOCODE.COM/SIPAPPLY](https://girlswhocode.com/sipapply)**

**EARLY ACCEPTANCE DEADLINE IS MID-FEBRUARY, 2021.  
APPLICATION CLOSES MID-MARCH, 2021.**





# TEEN ADVISORY GROUP

## TAG

Teens grades 9-12 are welcome to become members of the Teen Advisory Group (TAG)

Members commit to attending one meeting per month and give their advice on how to make the library and the Teen Space better. TAG members can also volunteer to help with other projects like preparing for and/or assisting with programs.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Can we text you? \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions, sign, and return this form to APL.

● Why do you want to join TAG?

● What are your hobbies or interests?

● Do you have a community service requirement for school, NHS, or other group?

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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