Libraries at Academy District 20

The Academy District 20 (D20) school library collection provides access to print materials, online databases and other digital resources that align with the Colorado Academic Standards or in-field Career and Technical Education (CTE) standards. D20 libraries support the American Association of School Libraries (AASL) Standards framework by allowing students to explore personal and academic interests.

About Follett Destiny Discover, our Online Library Catalog

Accessing the **Follett Destiny Discover Online Catalog** with your child can help families discuss reading preferences, choose books wisely, reinforce values, and promote lifelong reading habits.

- The library page for all schools can be found at [yourschool].asd20.org/library/
- To search the catalog, click the **Browse Our Library** button near the top of the page.
- In the upper left, log into Destiny Discover with your student ID number and password.

Track Your Student's Borrowed Materials in Follett Destiny Discover

- 1. Go to My Stuff in the top menu.
- In the dropdown, select and view Checkouts. Items currently checked out on the student account will appear.
- 3. Select a **Library Materials** title to view the title record. Information may include a summary, interest level, and additional information about the book.

Limit or Block Access to Follett Destiny Discover

To **limit access to Young Adult (YA) titles** or **block access to all titles**, contact your school librarian to put a note in your child's file. This note will block all titles except for textbooks and devices.

Identifying Young Adult Materials

YA materials can include mature subject matter, include complex sentence structure, language and vocabulary that reflects an audience growing from childhood to adulthood.

- **Library professionals** define YA as intended for readers aged 12-18 or in grades 7 and above.
- **Publishing houses** assign **Interest Levels** to library materials to identify content with higher Interest Levels, like classic literature, science and technology books.
- Interest Levels can reflect content of a wide age range, grade interests and may not fit the needs and interests of your child.

Find YA Materials in your school's library:

- YA stickers are identifiable on the spine of each physical YA book.
- Middle school library circulation desks post reminders about YA books.

Find YA Materials online at Follett Destiny Discover:

In Destiny Discover, search for YA titles with the Advanced Search tool.

- 1. Find your school's library page at [yourschool].asd20.org/library/
- 2. Click the **Browse Our Library** button to log into Destiny Discover.
- 3. After logging in, click the sliders button to the right of the search bar to open the **Advanced Search** window.
- 4. To locate YA titles, click the **Starting Interest Level** dropdown box and select Young Adult.
- 5. In the Ending Interest Level dropdown box, also select Young Adult.

Young Adult Materials in Middle Schools

Middle school library collections are curated for students in grades 6-8, which can include students younger than the intended YA audience. The inclusion of YA materials in a middle school library ensures that the needs of all learners are met.

If your child brings home a book that is not suitable for them, please return it to the library and exchange it for another book.

The Value of Young Adult Literature

Books for young adults are crucial in libraries as they help teens navigate emotions and challenges. YA literature teaches values for responsible citizenship, provides real-life examples, helps teens form their own beliefs, and prepares them for adulthood. It's essential for understanding oneself, connecting with others and navigating life's challenges.

Collections on Destiny Discover: Connect Students to Great Books!

Students can log into their accounts with their parents to create **Collections** together. A Collection is a personally curated reading list in Destiny.

There is no separate login for parents, so working together provides an opportunity to discuss appropriate times for students to share personal information.