TIG Meeting

Book share:
- Kelsey H. - *Range* by David Epstein
- Kim - *Stamped* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi
- Kelsey J. - *Parachutes* by Kelly Yang
- Kevin - *Slay* by Britney Morris
- Ellen - *The Shadow and Bone Trilogy* by Leigh Bardugo
  - *Red White and Royal Blue*
- Anna - *You Should See Me in a Crown* by Leah Johnson
- Rebecca - *Laura Dean Keeps Breaking up with Me* by Mariko Tamaki
- Carolyn - *I'm Not Dying with You Tonight* by Kimberly Jones
- Jake - *Sadie* by Courtney Summers

MLA updates:
- TIG has a new co-chair - Kim Day
- Conference 2020 is pushed to october 19-21 (may go virtual, pending the pandemic)
- Starting to plan 2021 Conference - let us know if you have ideas for themes, presentations
- What would you like to see from TIG in 2020-2021?
  - A lot of people are professional training-ed out right now, but may be a need for
teen-focused trainings when we are able to resume to in-person style trainings -
avoid webinar-style.
  - Instead, perhaps bring in an expert who can help facilitate a conversation
    - Idea: mental health
  - Use this group to push for better representation of teen issues at MLA conference
  - Platforms: Slack? Blog or site? Make-it Place? Discord?
    - Will get together to discuss this further. Jake is willing to help with this!
- Conference ideas:
  - Programming roundtable panel (like ignite sessions) or guerilla teen programs
  - Book focused/RA presentation (collab with RAIG?)
  - FAIL Camp - share something that isn’t working or didn’t work for you and we
    workshop how it could be supported or tweaked (maybe combine with the first
    idea?)
  - Advocacy - how to get admin on board, how to get the public on board?
    - How to explain what you need (esp tech) in ways that make sense

Discussion: What our teens need from us
- Article on teen mental health
- Differentiating “screen time” into its different purposes and uses - interaction vs. watching a movie with family in the room vs. mindlessly scrolling social media are all very different
- Need for a hangout space with passive interaction - how do we replicate that online?
  - Connections are so important for teens
  - Zoom teen hangouts - not quite as broad but more general - book discussion, or bring a craft, or anime club
    - Give them a place to geek out and share about their passions
  - Discord is a great hangout space/casual space with some formal programming thrown in as well - both voice and chat too
- How to advertise and how to reach: teens don’t read our social media, and social media accounts are too broad to interest teens. Need social media that’s specifically targeted to teens and less polished than a “branded” account
  - We need to advocate to our communications department to explain what we need and want to better engage with teens