

**Next Chapter Book Club  
according to our members  
and their families:**

"It gives me the opportunity to  
share my love of reading with  
others"

"It's fun to read and hang out  
with new friends"

"We all get a chance to read  
the books together out loud"

"I learn new words and I read  
better"

"You can attend whether you  
are online or in person and still  
feel included in everything"



# Get Involved!

Interested in our club,  
becoming a member, or  
being a volunteer facilitator?

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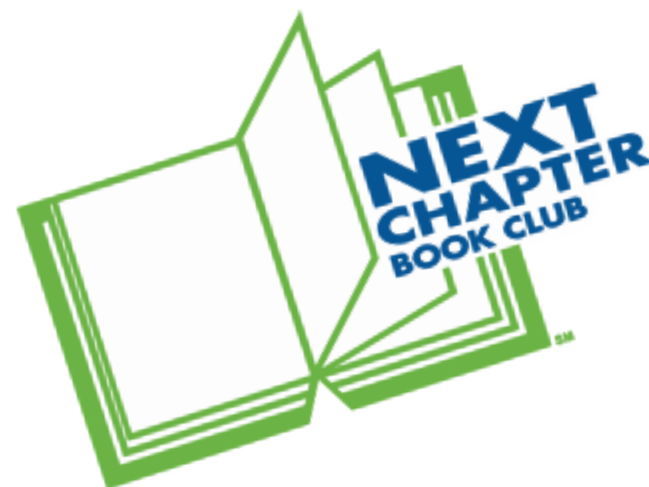
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# Next Chapter Book Club



**at the  
Utica Public  
Library**



# What is the Next Chapter Book Club?

Next Chapter Book Club is a national organization of community-based book clubs for teens and adults with developmental disabilities.

NCBC members experience:

- community inclusion
- social connectedness
- lifelong learning
- self-advocacy while reading

The Utica Public Library has been a Next Chapter Book Club affiliate since 2011.



# Who Participates?

Teens and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are interested in reading and having fun! Anyone at any reading level can participate.



NCBC members enjoy reading and discussing books, doing crafts and activities, and getting out in the community.

# How does it work?



Club members and two trained facilitators meet for an hour once per week and read, learn, and make friends in a relaxed community setting.

Books chosen by club members are read and discussed together during the club meeting.

Favorite books our members have read in book club include *The Lion King*, *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, and *Because of Winn Dixie*.