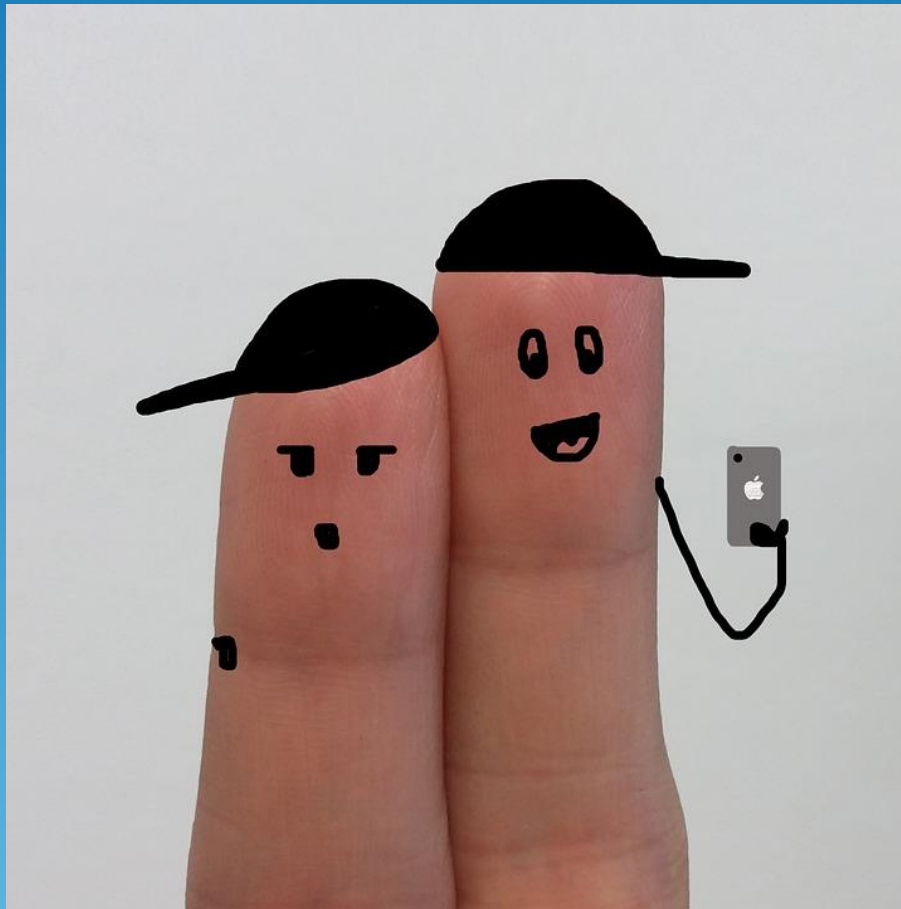


What Makes a GREAT Children's Librarian?



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Who Are We Talking About?



Greatness is Grown



What Do Library Staff Do?



Adult librarians are like lazy bakers: their patrons want a jelly doughnut, so they give them a jelly doughnut. Children's librarians are ambitious bakers: 'You like the jelly doughnut? I'll get you a jelly doughnut. But you should try my cruller, too. My cruller is gonna blow your mind, kid.'

— *John Green* —

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Child & Adolescent Development Know-How



Likes People (esp. Kids)



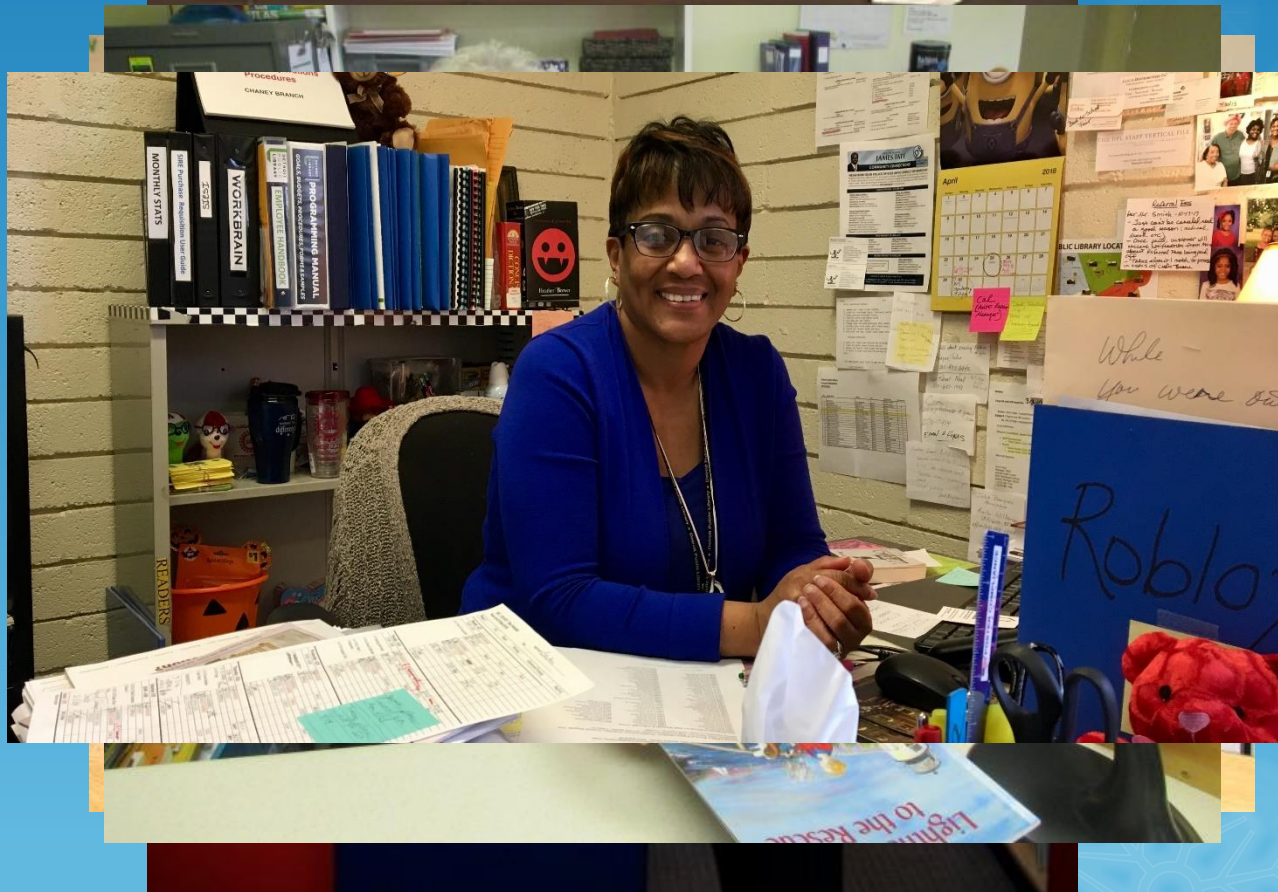
What Else Would You Add?



Advocacy Skills



Sense of Whimsy and Professionalism



KNOWS Books



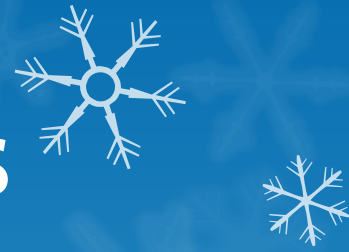
Mission Centered



Change Agents



Project Management Skills



Ability to Say Yes



And Strength to Say No

Five Marge-Tips on Achieving Greatness



1. Learn everyday
2. Be ethical , honest and honorable
3. Share the wealth
4. Respect everyone
5. Know you are doing vital work



Resources

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Questions/Comments?

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