Top Ten Ideas for Library Helper Club

1. Ask language arts teachers to recommend a student whom the teacher feels is responsible and would enjoy the club and benefit from the volunteer experience.

2. Host a “Boot Camp” training day for new helpers.

3. Give a monthly “paycheck” reward which awards a privilege during the school day.

4. Utilize the Library Helpers as your crew for special library events (i.e. book fair, Pennsylvania Young Readers Choice Award voting)

5. Have a “New Book Club” where Library Helpers read a new book and then post a review on a bulletin board, blog, or the library homepage.

6. Engage students to ask the Library Helpers for assistance using online card catalog or finding a books on the shelves.

7. Introduce the Library Helpers to the office secretaries so they can run errands to office.

8. Let the Library Helpers create contest ideas and promotions for special events.

9. Have the Library Helpers star in an orientation movie that will be shown to next year’s new students.

10. Listen to their stories and let them know you care about them!