

April and Gracie

Topics: Balance and Boundaries

- Knowing when to say yes or no
- Learning how to prioritize/balance work and play
- Taking care of yourself

TedTalk: [The Value of Boundaries](#)

Community Service: Something both of us have in common is being avid readers. Books are our escape from the world, and reading is one of the ways we try to maintain a work/play balance in our life. So for our community service project, we wanted to do something that would benefit readers. This would be mandatory for members in Leadership. We would hold a book drive similar to what one of the book clubs did this semester, but with an extra step of asking students to also write a short note about why they enjoyed the book they donated. Whether it's the genre, representation, or even just a cool cover, this note would connect the new reader with the old. After the books have been gathered, we would have a table at lunch where people can just come grab a book that sounds interesting. The goal is to have these books be "Recommendations from RHS" that kids will give a shot after hearing that other students at RHS enjoyed them. This would be a two week project immediately following our class presentation, for book collection, and the lunch period. Any remaining books would be passed on to the Ripon Memorial Library, where they would be featured in the library's book sale. The library has always been a prevalent place in both of our lives, from checking out books to volunteering, and we know the books would be beneficial. We already discussed it with Melinda, who said this would be okay.