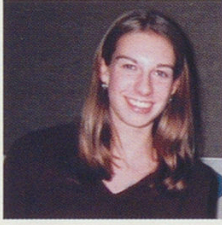


Free Write stuff the

Creative Writing Club had the right stuff for excellent year

By: Laura Eastes

What is the best part about Creative Writing Club?



"The best part is the collaboration of enthusiastic and talented young writers."

> Anne Barngrover, 12



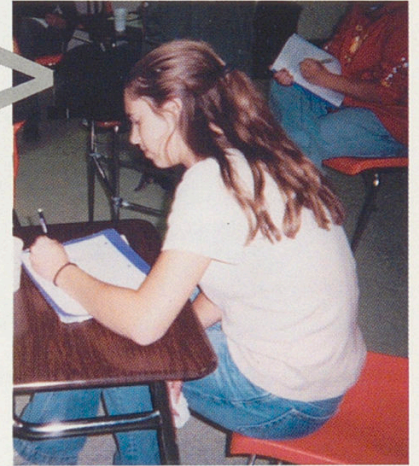
"Reading the random stories people write...It is really funny."

> Lori Demuth, 12



"The chance to share writing with others who are just as interested in having their voice heard as you.."

> Ayla Rapoport, 12



PENS UP! All the Creative Writing Club's meetings began with a free write for five minutes. After the free write, the club members would discuss possible topics for a writing prompt. A prompt would be chosen and the member would write for 15 minutes then share his/her writing.

THE CREATIVE WRITING CLUB met every two to three weeks and had an awesome hour of writing. Students would meet for writing and enjoy music and snacks while doing so. The group would start with a free write or vomit writing, for warming up, then move in to a serious prompt. The prompt would be on topics the club had discussed earlier in the meeting. However, students were able to write about any topic they wished to.

Last year, Anne Barngrover, 12, and Ayla Rapoport, 12, sought to make a club in which students could relax and write about anything they choose.

"I am so glad Anne and I founded the club during our junior year. The students that I have met through the club are absolutely amazing writers and people. I am privileged to have the opportunity to be part of such a committed and caring group of students," said Rapoport.

Lots of fun g

Extra-curricular discussions

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451 Book Club's Top Books

1 *Survivor*

By: Chuck Palhnisk

2 *Confederacy of Dunes*

By: John Toole

3 *The Beautiful and Damned*

By: F. Scott Fitzgerald

THE 451 BOOK CLUB was a relaxing way for students to discuss excellent literature while enjoy the thoughts from their peers. The club met every month on Wednesdays and discussed the book the club had chosen for that month. The club members voted on all books that were decided to be read by the club.

The meetings were usual less then a hour long and students were able to add their thoughts to a discussion not lead in the usual English class way. The students did not talk about the theme or plot but the way they felt when reading the novel and their overall thoughts on the books picked.

The meetings always began the same, students would suggest possible books for that month and Mr. Ben Reardon would also added his ideas to books.

"We read good books, and then we talk about them. Despite the lack of chocolate, life doesn't get much better than that."

> Emily Rock, 12