

The Ohio State University Nisonger Center
A University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities

NEXT CHAPTER BOOK CLUB

PURPOSE	To provide adolescents and adults with intellectual disabilities literacy and social interaction experiences that encourage friendship and lifelong learning within a community-based setting.
PERSONS SERVED	Adolescents and adults with intellectual disabilities, no matter their reading level or type of disability.
STAFF	The office staff consists of a program director, a program manager, and a literacy specialist. Two or more trained volunteers facilitate each group. They include students, employees, parents, siblings, business owners, professionals, retirees, and people with disabilities.
SERVICES	Participants meet weekly for one hour at local bookstores, coffee shops and cafés to read aloud and discuss a book of their choosing. NCBC members have fun, improve literacy skills, make social connections, and take part in the community.
TIME	Book clubs meet weekly for one hour.
LOCATION	Host sites for book clubs include Barnes & Noble, Borders, Caribou Coffee, Panera Bread, Starbucks, Target, and other locally owned businesses.
COST	There is no cost to members to join a book club.
CONTACT	Jillian Ober Phone: 614-685-6718 Email: jillian.ober@osumc.edu www.nextchapterbookclub.org

McC Campbell Hall
1581 Dodd Drive
Columbus OH 43210
<http://nisonger.osu.edu>