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2009 ALL HENRICO READS AUTHOR AND BOOK ARE ANNOUNCED

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The Henrico County Public Library, in partnership with Henrico County Public Schools, University of Richmond, and the Friends of Henrico County Public Library, is proud to host the nationally acclaimed author, M. T. Anderson, for the 2009 ALL HENRICO READS free annual event on October 21, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at Hermitage High School, 8301 Hungary Spring Road, Henrico, VA. His award-winning book, *FEED*, will be highlighted.

Written in a teenage voice using a unique slang, *FEED* presents a world where consumerism has run amok. Internet advertising is matched with human thought and fed directly into the brain through a computer chip implanted at birth. Corporations are free to monitor and manipulate individual thought. Teens' reading, writing, and thinking abilities have almost been obliterated by the "feed."

In 2002, *Feed* was a finalist for the National Book Award, winner of the *Los Angeles Times* Book Prize, and named an American Library Association Best Book for Young Adults. In 2006, Anderson received the National Book Award for Young People's Literature for *The Astonishing Life of Octavian Nothing: Traitor to the Nation V.1 The Pox Party*. His biography *Handel, Who Knew What He Liked*, was a Boston Globe / Horn Book Honor winner in 2002.

This event is free and open to the public. No tickets are required. For additional information, go to www.henricolibrary.org/AHR.