

Media Matters

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Mission Statement

The Enloe High School Media-Technology program will encourage critical reading, acquire valuable resources, engage learners to interpret, evaluate, transform and present information to support faculty and students in the equitable and ethical use of information.

What's Happening in the Media Center?

January brought snow days and a rush of papers and projects for the end of the 2nd quarter. Mrs. Alexander also hosted our final book talk on a variety of popular genres. Read below to find out what other teachers and students were working on...

- ◆ Ms. Nelson brought in her AP Environmental Science students to complete a variety of interactive web projects.
- ◆ Mr. Shanahan's World History students researched a variety of historical events and people such as the Holocaust and Mexican revolutionaries as they completed a research project.
- ◆ Mrs. Young's AP English IV

students came in for an introduction to literary criticism resources as they begin a major paper.

- ◆ Mr. Clinton's World History students prepared creative presentations on countries of their choice using computer resources.
- ◆ Ms. Rowland's AP Statistics and AP Calculus classes were working on projects and IB portfolio entries.

◆ **TEACHERS and STUDENTS
—WE HAVE NEW BOOKS
AND
DVDs
IN—
COME
CHECK
THEM
OUT!!**



Book Review

Woodson, Jacqueline. *If You Come Softly*. New York : Speak, 1998.

Ellie and Jeremiah crash into each other in the school hallway. Their eyes meet and they feel an intense connection. A tender romance begins between these two high school sophomores. Ellie is white and Jewish and Jeremiah is African-American. Their relationship grows slowly amid puzzled stares and whispered gossip. Ellie spends a lot of time with Miah at his mother's house after school. During their walk through Central Park, one evening Ellie reveals to Miah that she will tell her parents about him. Miah's dad told him to never walk

through the park. Tragedy strikes and lives are changed forever.

Jacqueline Woodson



African American History Month

February marks our celebration of African American History Month. Throughout the media center, you will find five displays covering many facets of this national celebration. One display includes books that provide photographs giving readers a visual glimpse into the



struggles and successes of African Americans. On one side of our acrylic display, works of fiction by or about African Americans are featured. The other side features non-fiction works such as books on the civil rights movement, sports figures, history, and science. Yet another display is centered around the theme of entertainment. Check out this display to learn more about music, film, theater and dance that showcases the talent of African Americans.

You can even come in to win a prize! Name the famous African American featured on the cover of a biography.

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Upcoming Events

February 3rd—7pm—Barnes and Noble Cary—
Author Sana Butler, a correspondent for
Newsweek International, will discuss her
book *Sugar of the Crop: My Journey to Find
the Children of Slaves*.

February 7th—6-8pm—Cameron Village Public
Library—Call 856-6723 to register for an Anti-
Valentine's Day party.

February 7th—7:30pm—
600 Learning Lab—Enloe
Black Student Union will
be hosting its 2nd An-
nual Poetry Slam where
students recite their fa-
vorite poems.



February—East Regional
Library is holding The Great Cover-up contest
all month long. Create a 8.5" x 11" book
cover for your favorite book! Pick up an entry
form at the media center.

February 15—6pm—Raleigh Blues Festival at
the RBC Center

FEATURED WEB SITES

Students <http://www.ipl.org/div/teen>

The Internet Public Library includes a subject-categorized directory of authoritative websites, online texts, newspapers, etc. Their teen division called TeenSpace includes helpful information for academic and personal searches. Check out their graphic novel guide, poetry wiki, and teen zines. There is a wealth of information to explore.

Teachers <http://www.YouMoveMe.org>

This web site provides essays by youth from all over the world whose life experiences have given a lot to share about life. The essays are about war, poverty, abandonment, and disaster but do reveal perseverance and hope. Lesson plan ideas are available for English, History and Foreign Language classes but many opportunities are possible across the curriculum.

Question of the Month

A Rebus is a picture representation of a name, work or phrase. Can you guess what this one is?

ABCDEFGHIJKLM
NOPQRSTUVWXYZ

Students and Faculty Speak

What is the best advice you have been given?

- ◆ Do or do not; there is no try.—Yoda
- ◆ Don't ignore your feelings. Don't let others tell you that you should not feel a certain way.—Ms. Bowen
- ◆ Never eat spinach with a stranger.—Blair Lyttle
- ◆ Make good choices.
- ◆ Do what you can today to make for a better tomorrow.
- ◆ Truth is not what we see or hear; truth is what we feel in our heart.
- ◆ Our choices rule our destiny. What happened yesterday, we cannot change but what happens now and what will happen tomorrow is always in our hands. A person who realizes the power of choice every moment can befriend destiny. Life will happen the way he chooses— Narendra Ponnuswamy
- ◆ Happiness is something you endeavor for, it is not something you are given.
- ◆ Live for today!



Books for the Anti-Valentine Reader

Check out one of these books if you want to read about a relationship that is far from perfect this Valentine's Day.

Dreamland—Will Caitlin ever leave her dream-like state to face the ugly facts about gorgeous wealthy Rogerson?

Breathing Underwater—Popular Nick is in love with beautiful Caitlin—until everything changes.

Leslie's Journal: A Novel—From the outside Leslie's relationship with Jason seems romantic, but Leslie's journal knows the truth.

Katie.com—In this true story, nothing in Katie's relationship and romance found on the Internet is what she thought it would be.

