

Media Matters

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Vision Statement

The media-technology program prepares dynamic learners in an information rich environment to be resourceful, reflective, and responsible readers and users of information.

What is happening in the Media Center?

The media center was hopping with activity in December. We really enjoy collaborating with teachers to share our resources.

- Ms. C. Nelson's Earth Science students gathered information on energy resources such as solar power to create a brochure for a new company.
- In World History, Mrs. Cottrell's classes studied the five geographical and climatic regions of Africa in a cooperative learning activity involving group research and map-making skills.
- Mrs. Cox's Life Management Child Development class developed a menu for a family based on the nutritional requirements of each person

based on the food pyramid. Each family was given a strict budget which made creating a grocery list a creative process.

- Mrs. Slusser and Mrs. Johnson's Civilizations and Cultures classes used various print and electronic sources to do research on the Silk Road. One of the activities students completed with their research was creating a daily journal for a person living in this time period.
- We also worked with many teachers and students on gathering information on graduation project topics. The media center is a important place for students to visit as they develop their graduation projects.

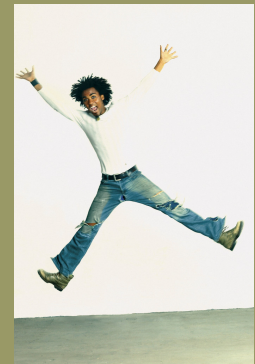
Movie of the Month

The Great Debaters opened December 25th in theaters. The film is based on the true story of Melvin B. Tolson, who formed a debate team at Wiley College that beat the former national champions at the University of Southern California in 1935. Denzel Washington directs and stars in the film. The Urban Debate Leagues has initiated a thrust to create debate teams in inner-city schools across the country.



Get Over It!

January has been declared "Get Over It" month. The beginning of the year is a great time to let go of the past and get over whatever is bugging you about a person or issue in your life. Start the new year with a renewed optimism for life! Stop by the media center to check out books on health, inspiration, advice and other positive views on leading a productive life.



We also have a display covering the topic of ethics and copyright laws. Are you using resources appropriately?

Book Clubs

Enloe's Book Club: Come by the media center to find out this month's book selection and meeting date.

Richard B. Harrison Public Library: The Meeting of the Minds book club meets on the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm and focuses primarily on African American Literature.

Cameron Village Public Library :

Books clubs meet each month on topics such as sci-fi, fantasy, mystery, and nonfiction.

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Did You Know....

Lunch Entry Policy

The media center has a new policy for coming to the media center during lunch periods. No more asking your teacher for a pass every day. Now all you need to do is bring a copy of your schedule and a picture ID to the media center and show it to a media specialist. This policy is in place only during lunch periods.

Computer Use During Lunch Periods

Lunch periods are the busiest time of the day in the media center. Teachers and students who are having class in the media center have priority over the computers. If you have something important to type or print, please consider doing it at another time because you may not be able to use a computer during your lunch.



FEATURED WEB SITES

Students <http://liblearn.osu.edu/tutor/les1/>

Web sites and databases are the most popular sources of information for research papers. It is important to choose the web sites you use to gather information wisely. Check out this web tutorial which helps you analyze a web site based on purpose, content, author, coverage, currency, and recognition. Your teachers will be impressed!

Teachers <http://www.sasinschool.com>

SAS inSchools has produced *Curriculum Pathways*, an online resource for teachers, which provides standards-based content in the core disciplines. This site provides activities to integrate technology, target higher-order thinking skills, and cover topics mapped out by state standards. Take a look to discover some new research-validated instructional techniques.

Question of the Month

- Today's student types all the time on the computer and on their
- phone. Have you ever wondered why the letters on the keyboard
- are positioned the way they are? The first five students to tell a
- media specialist the correct answer will get their fines erased.
- Sorry—if you need to replace a book, you will still have to replace it.

What are you reading right now?

Hopefully over winter break you had time to relax and read. What did you read? Check out the list of recommendations below to find a good book for a cold January day.

Faculty and Staff:

Cochran—*Songs Without Words* by A. Packer

Bowen—*The Bonesetter's Daughter* by A. Tan

Bishop—*The Ice Limit* by L. Child

Neiley—*Marley & Me* by J. Grogan

Goheen—*His Dark Materials* by P. Pullman

Lyerly—*The Mirror of Worlds* by D. Drake

Royal—*Born Standing Up: A Comic's Life* by S. Martin

Students:

One Hundred Years of Solitude by

G. Marquez

Sports Illustrated

The Bell Jar by S. Plath

Airframe by M. Crichton

Me Talk Pretty One Day by D. Sedaris

Pillars of the Earth by K. Follett

Angels and Demons by D. Brown

The Named by M. Curley

Midnight Rain by H. Lisle

Traveling Light by M. Lucado

To Kill A Mockingbird by H. Lee

Memoirs of a Geisha by A. Golden

