

Middle School Library & Technology

Teacher Librarian: Miss Tessa Watters



HOURS:

Monday: 8:15-3:00 Tuesday: 8:15-2:45

Wednesday: After Mass - 3:15

Thursday: 8:15 - 3:00 Friday: 8:15-3:15

Students may access the library during AM break and throughout the school day with teacher permission. Before or after school times should be arranged with Miss Watters and parent permission.



LIGHTS OFF? DOOR CLOSED?

Do not enter.

The library is closed.

Welcome to Middle School Library and Technology Class. The goal of this class is to teach you how to be responsible users of information media and technology, preparing you for high school and life beyond. In this class you will learn how to locate, use and apply information, and be a responsible digital citizen. In this class we will be using resources in both the library and the computer lab to learn these skills you need for life.

Weekly library sessions will focus on library media and information literacy skills, basic keyboarding and computer applications, and internet safety and use.

Of course, we'll also check out great books and work on Accelerated Reading.

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Weekly Grading Policy	
Ready to begin class on time.	1
Have necessary materials for class.	1
Demonstrate appropriate behavior during lesson or presentation.	1
Clean personal area and return borrowed materials.	1
Use class time well.	3
Treat all with respect.	3
Assignments/ Projects	10

- Find books, place holds, or see what you've checked out from the library on our STMPS Destiny website at stmlynnwood.follettdestiny.co
- At home check points, review your record, or see if the book you're reading has a test. Go to https: hosted282.renlearn.com/ 294751/HomeConnect/ or follow link from Destiny.
- Use the **SAME** username and password for both Destiny and AR Enterprise!

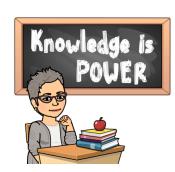
What's Your Focus?

In Library and Technology we will primarily be using the Digital Citizenship middle school curriculum published by Common Sense Media. The curriculum is aligned with International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) and American Association of School Librarians (AASL) standards.

Each class will have individual areas of focus.

6th grade will focus on how to find and use media online. Students will explore what makes quality websites and create digital posters warning others about "fake news".

7th grade will focus on interpreting online information and being good digital citizens. Students analyze online profiles, see what's on their digital footprint, and create their own digital footprint of life events they'd like to occur in the next 20 years.



8th grade will focus on using media and technology responsibly for life beyond STM. We discuss their rights as creators and their responsibility as users of information. Students create an original recording.

Media Balance & Well-Being

Privacy & Security

Digital Footprint & Identity

Relationships & Communication

Cyberbullying, Digital Drama, & Hate Speech

News & Media Literacy

EXPECTATIONS:

- 1. Follow directions the first time given.
- 2. Listen to the teacher or speaker
- 3. Return all borrowed materials.
- 4. Be respectful.
- Follow all school rules.



REWARDS:

- A great library experience.
- New skills learned.
- Prize box for following all library expectations.

CONSEQUENCES:

- 1. Warning
- Name given to classroom teacher. 2.
- Checks and classroom detention for additional infractions. Detention earned will be served in the homeroom classroom.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

~Theodore Seuss Geisel I Can Read With My Eyes Shut

CHECK-OUT POLICY:

- 1. A total of five books (or four books & one magazine) may be checked out at a time.
- 2. Only two books from a series can be checked out at a time.
- 3. Books are due the following week. Renew books weekly as needed. Books can not be renewed if another student has a hold on it.
- 4. Students will be charged for lost books, books damaged beyond repair, or damaged from misuse.

All library fines will be submitted to FACTS at the end of the school year.



Always bring to class: Procedures:

- 1. A respectful attitude.
- 2. Binder w/ a specific tab for Library or Specialists.
- 3. Any assigned library homework.
- 4. Notebook paper and pen.
- 5. Flash/thumb drive to save work.
- 6. Your Accelerated Reader book.

- 1. QUICKLY and QUIETLY put belongings at your assigned table.
- 2. Check board for any instructions.
- 3. Sit QUIETLY in the story pit for class to begin.
- 4. Participate appropriately in the lesson or activity.
- 5. Complete all library projects and assignments (see grading policy on front).

What to do when finished with classwork:

- Check-out books.
- Take AR tests.
- Finish any homework from other classes.
- READ
- READ
- Oh yeah, you can always READ!