

Wachter Middle School Library

2010-2011 Final Report

Staff

Mary Miller, LMS
Karen Berger,
Aide from 7:30-8:00 am.
Marilyn Schneider
Assistant from 8:45 am-3:45 pm.



New Library 1988-89
No Technology



Photo of Updated Library
Notice the Technology

Additional Support in Library:

Homework Help daily from 7:30-8:00 am; After-School tutoring program Monday through Thursday from 3:30-4:30 pm.

Summer News: Carpeting was ripped out of the computer lab and new carpet squares were installed. Tables, chairs, and computers in the main part of the library were moved out into the hall. Carpet was removed from the main part of the library and from the library office. New carpet squares were installed. Summer school students then helped take all the books off the library shelves and placed them in rows on the new carpet in the main library area. The custodians then rolled the empty shelves out into the hall so the old carpet could be removed from the shelving area and new carpet squares could be put in place.

After the custodians were able to put the shelves back into the west area of the library, the books were taken from the floor and put back on the shelves. The books needed to be put back in order, so Mrs. Schneider and Mrs. Miller worked on that project. Mrs. Schneider shelved for four hours. Mrs. Miller shelved for 17.5 hours and completed the project on July 19.

Besides getting new carpet, 38 new computers were installed in the library and 30 new computers were installed in the library lab!

Patrons: During the year, we had a tally of 13,160 teachers and students in the library for research and other curriculum-related projects. 13,596 individuals took advantage of the library lab to do assignments and a variety of activities. Computer carts checked out from the library were used in numerous classrooms. The rotation of these carts provided computer access to 13,634 users throughout the school year.

Hi-Fliers: We are doing a pilot project during the last nine weeks of school with 19 eighth grade social studies students from Team Explorers and Team Discovery. These self-directed, independent learners report to the library during their scheduled social studies period to work on their individualized study packets instead of remaining in their social studies classrooms. They are up to the challenge!

Top 5 Readers: Grade 7—Robert Burkhardtmeier, Kailin Millan, Cole Phillips, Robert Kunz, & Clayton Stryon; Grade 8—Madelyn Kopp, Ian Wolf, Bilal Hyder, Skylar Lipelt, & Clay Holzer; Grade 9—Sky Littlewind, Ashley Boehm, Jordan Bushaw, Carson Jensen, & Anastasiya Serbina.

Top HomeBase/Team Circulations: Grade 7—Bowerman/Infinity, McDonald/Pathfinders, Glatt/Trailblazers; Grade 8—Davis/Discovery, W. Curren/Explorers, Schiermeister/Infinity; Grade 9—Lardy/Booga; Budeau/Spirit.

Popular Authors: Dave Pelzer, Jeff Kinney, John Flanagan, Nicholas Sparks, Akira Toriyama, J.K. Rowling, Louis Sachar, Darren Shan, Bill Watterson, Jay Asher, Jeff Smith

Popular Periodicals: Bismarck Tribune, GL, Hoop, J-14, Motocross Action, People, Seventeen, Transworld Skateboarding, Dirtwheels, Transworld Snowboarding, Petersen's 4 Wheel & Off-Road.

Teacher/Librarian Collaborated Projects: Volcanoes, West Indies, Caribbean, Central America, South America, Poetry, Presidents, Industrial Revolution, Slavery, Civil War, Greek and Roman Mythology, Authors, Award Winning Books, WWII Notables, Women in History, Food Pyramid, North Dakota Studies, Native Americans, Drugs, Various Debate Topics, Victorian Era, Elizabethan Age, Ellis Island, Genealogy, Egypt, China, Middle East, Japan, Cyberhunts, Art, German, Latin, French, Spanish, Travel Brochures, Animoto, Glogster, PowerPoints.

Orientation, Presentations & Discussions: Online Card Catalog, Placing Holds, eBooks, Playaways, HomeWork Help, Databases, ethical Internet use, Plagiarism, Piracy, Physical Property, Intellectual Property, Social Networking, Words in Space, Cyberbullies, Internet Safety Review, Searching for Books by Lexile Range, Flash Drive transfers, Printing Solutions

Daily Broadcasts: Channel One News, Words of Wisdom, Wildcat TV Announcements.

Means of Communication: Library Website links and tags, Pleasure Reading Access Schedule, Serials & Sequels Binder, HomeBase Library access, Professional Learning Communities, Technical Support, Head of Miller's Wildcats, Member of WMS Leadership Team, post minutes to the WMS Leadership Meeting Wiki on Moodle, email notes of Parent Advisory Committee meetings to staff, Library events listings and posters, Reserve dates for staff on Library calendar and on Lab calendar, Snail mail, Phone contacts when needed.

Statistics: 11,512 items owned; 39, 247 uses of reserved items; 944 loans to other schools; zero books flushed by toddler siblings; zero books chewed by dogs.