Library Website--Help!

How do you like the new website? We’ve tried to organize the information so that you can find exactly what you need without a lot of hassle. On the left hand side of every page is a navigation bar. Use the Faculty Support category to find links for educational tools, lessons, and library information pertaining to teachers. From there you can find out how to reserve books, reserve the smart classroom, or request a book or video. Also, if your class has a research project, a librarian can create a Class Project Guide that will be available to your students on the website. Select one from the drop-down menu at the top of the main page to see an example. We welcome any feedback you can give.

Year in Review

So far this year, we have added approximately 1270 new books, DVDs, videos, and audio CDs. We’ve also added about 6,500 ebooks, 4 databases, and 2 digital camcorders. Percy Clarke and the MacQueen family donated portions of their personal libraries to add to our collection as well. We’ve loaned 54 books to other libraries via interlibrary loan. Most of these have been loaned to colleges within the state, but we’ve also loaned books to places as far away as Boston College. This year has also seen an increase in traffic in the library. Teachers reserved the library space or smart classroom for over 700 class sessions, while 43 classes are conducted each week in the 3 available rooms.

Dr. Seuss and Cupcakes

Not even Sam-I-Am could refuse a cupcake. For the nationwide celebration of 50 years of Dr. Seuss’s Cat in the Hat, the library held a cupcake party in the lobby during 6th and 7th periods. Events like these are part of the library’s efforts to promote reading and to create a friendly environment for students. End of the year reports show that the library has had a 10% increase in check-outs from this time last year. That’s over 300 more! We are excited that students and teachers are comfortable using all that the library has to offer.

AV Equipment Information & Requests

Now that the year is winding down, we want to know your equipment needs for the next school year. Please fill out the AV equipment inventory form and put it in the library’s box. This will tell us what equipment works, what we might need to replace or repair, and where each piece is now. Thanks for your help.
Summer Reading


“Operation Homecoming is the result of a major initiative launched by the National Endowment for the Arts to bring distinguished writers to military bases and inspire U.S. Marines, soldiers, sailors, and airmen and their families to record their wartime experiences. Encouraged by such authors as Tom Clancy, Tobias Wolff, and Jeff Shaara, among others, American military personnel and their loved ones wrote candidly about what they saw, heard, and felt while in Afghanistan and Iraq, as well as on the home front.” – from publisher’s description.

Einstein: His Life and Universe by Walter Isaacson.

“By the author of the acclaimed bestseller Benjamin Franklin, this is the first full biography of Albert Einstein since all of his papers have become available. Isaacson’s biography shows how his scientific imagination sprang from the rebellious nature of his personality. His fascinating story is a testament to the connection between creativity and freedom.” – From publisher’s description.

The Road by Cormac McCarthy

Received the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction.

“A searing, post-apocalyptic novel destined to become Cormac McCarthy’s masterpiece. A father and his son walk alone through [a] burned America. Their destination is the coast.” --Amazon Review

“The imagery is brutal even by Cormac McCarthy’s high standards for despair. This parable is also trenchant and terrifying, written with stripped-down urgency and fueled by the force of a universal nightmare. “The Road” would be pure misery if not for its stunning, savage beauty.”--NYT, Janet Maslin

Don’t forget: You can continue to check out books and other materials at the library all summer long. We will be open on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Also, librarians are available by appointment; call us if you need library services.