Literacy Spotlights

Spotlight Topic	Digital Literacy
Background Information	"Digital literacy is the ability to use information and communication technologies to find, evaluate, create, and communicate information, requiring both cognitive and technical skills."- The American Library Association. Literacy is defined by reading and writing skills when you add "digital," technology is included. Some of the things we do daily involve our own digital literacy for example: e-readers, emails, blogs, tweets, podcasts, videos, and other digital tools that require comprehension. Click here for a brief video explanation.
Standard	Standard C1: Interact with others to explore ideas and concepts, communicate meaning, and develop logical interpretations through collaborative conversations; build upon the idea of others to clearly express one's own views while respecting diverse perspectives.
Activity	Digital literacy is constantly changing and evolving just like technology. The way we comprehend and communicate with each other is also forever changing. Digital learning helps students think in abstract ways. Digital learning also allows teachers the ability to extend the traditional classroom approach to learning. The best thing parents can do is stay connected with what your child is doing with technology. ❖ What is your child learning? ❖ How can your child communicate with others online? ❖ Are there ways you can extend what your child is learning in school by using digital technology? ❖ Does your child understand digital technology? ❖ Ask your child the ways he/she uses technology at school and for personal interests. Resources: http://www.teachmag.com/archives/5009 http://digitalliteracy.us/ https://digitalliteracy.gov/