Duncanville ISD
Library Resources Guide

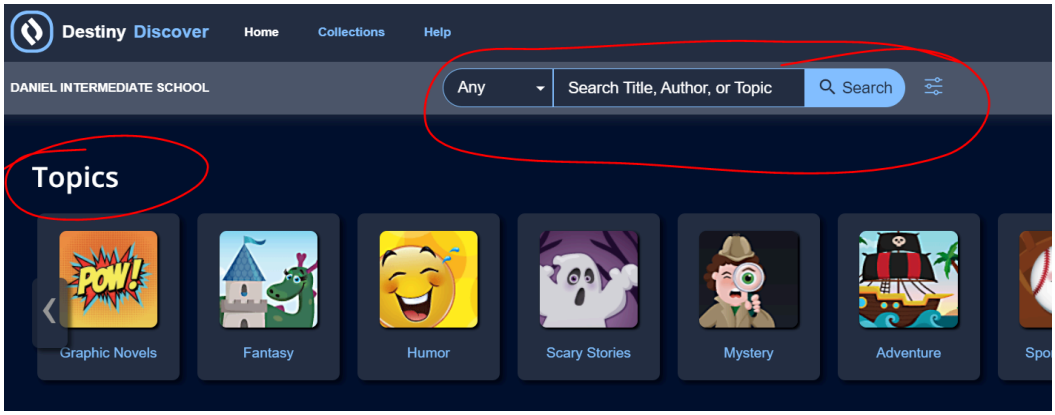
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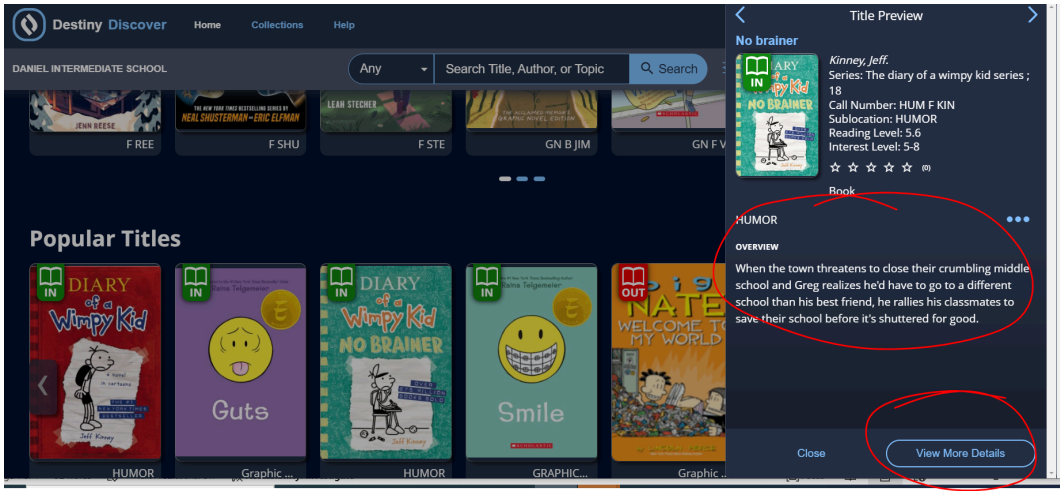
Duncanville ISD aims to provide a wide range of instructional resources for students that present varying levels of difficulty, points of view, diversity of appeal with the purpose of enriching our instructional program. Library materials encourage the enjoyment of reading, foster high-level thinking skills, support personal learning, and encourage discussion based on rational analysis.

To learn more about how books are selected for Duncanville ISD libraries, please review our local policy online. In this policy, "instructional resources" may include textbooks, library acquisitions, supplementary resources for classroom use, and any other instructional resources, including electronic resources, used for formal or informal teaching and learning purposes. The primary objectives of instructional resources are to implement, enrich, and support the District's educational program.

Library Books

Destiny Discover - Destiny Discover is the online catalog of physical books inside the library. Use this link to locate your school's catalog. Books may be searched by title, author, or topic. Once a title is selected, the full description of the work may be viewed. If you have a question regarding selecting books for your student, please contact the campus librarian.





Sora - Sora is an online library of ebooks and audiobooks. Students only see books appropriate for their age range.

How to recommend a book for your school library: To recommend a book for your student's campus library, please visit your campus library webpage and fill out the "Ask the Librarian" form.

What to do if you have a concern about a book? If a parent has a concern regarding a book, first talk with the campus librarian. The librarian will make an informal review. If after the review the librarian feels the book meets the selection criteria, the parent may choose to do a formal reconsideration request. EF Local Reconsideration Policy and reconsideration form.

Digital Resources A-Z

Duncanville ISD libraries provide a variety of digital content for student use. Many of the district's databases are part of a larger consortium called TexQuest. Parents may view the login information for all of the online library resources using this link. This document is password protected and may be accessed with student credentials. All library resources may also be accessed through Classlink using student credentials.

Beanstack - Beanstack is an app used to track independent reading time, and help build a culture of reading in school and at home. Beanstack makes it easier for kids to track reading, stay motivated to read, and develop positive reading habits. Beanstack is available to all students in the district.

Britannica School / Britannica Escolar / Britannica Moderna - Britannica School is an online library of hundreds of thousands of high-quality articles, videos and images created and maintained by Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc. Britannica has 4 levels:



EBSCO LearningExpress - EBSCO LearningExpress is an online platform for academic skill building, standardized test preparation, and career-oriented digital content. It includes test preparation for 3rd grade and up, as well as content to explore college and career options. Students may create their own accounts to keep track of their learning.

Ebsco Flipster - Flipster is a digital magazine subscription service that provides access to magazines. This is a high school subscription that may be accessed through Classlink using student credentials.

Gale - Gale is a research database of articles, images, audio clips, and other digital reference materials for a wide range of grade levels and content areas.

Learn360 - Learn360 is a multi-subject, easy-to-use K–12 media library (videos, interactives, articles, songs, games, images, and more).

PebbleGo - PebbleGo is a research database for K-2 learners. It contains images, articles, and educational games covering a wide range of topics.

ProQuest Sirs Discoverer - SIRS® Discoverer® is a multidisciplinary database specifically designed for upper elementary and middle school learners, researchers, and educators covering curriculum areas such as history, health, language arts, math, science, social studies, and technology.

TeachingBooks - TeachingBooks.net is an online database of thousands of multimedia resources you can use to explore children's and young adult books and their authors.