

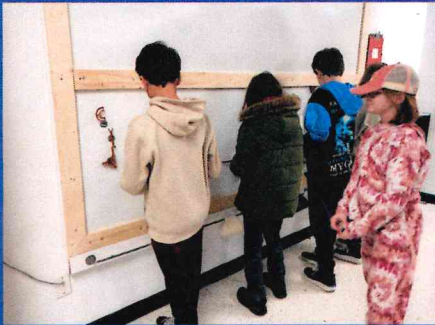
Holden Libraries 2024/25



Different kids, same shocked expression!



Having fun while learning at the HMS Library



Providing Services for Students and Staff

Elementary

Anderson Ringen's book was published and Lane Smith is working on completing his book and getting it published. We now have a self-checkout station for teachers. They can use self check-out for their curriculum tubs as well as the books in the Library. This is a convenient option for our teachers. We provide Library/PLTW lessons, I have changed some of our PLTW units to update the grade level Priority Standards. I also work with teachers to ensure I am hitting their Reading and Writing standards. Connie reads to students during SOAR. We provide coding lessons and checkout for all grades, laminator services, tech requests, and requested books for staff.

Middle School The theme for the middle school library this year is Cats in Literature. Throughout the library, you will find vignettes that represent books that feature our amazing feline friends. Along with checking out books to classes, shelving books and keeping the library updated and in order, I also collaborate with staff and students. Other duties include repairing books, keeping track of budgets, ordering books and supplies, while seeing that all library needs are met. Tech duties include filling paper, filament and film and solving problems with copiers, 3D printers, chromebooks and laminator. The library plans school wide events 5 to 6 times a year and supports tech. Lastly, and most importantly, sharing my love of literature with the students so they may find the perfect book, which starts them on a path to becoming lifelong readers.

High School has received another Holden Foundation grant, this time to start up a book club. Our first book was Throne of Glass and our second book is I Must Betray You by Ruta Sepetys. Book club meets Tuesday mornings and the students vote for their next book. We've had several programs throughout the year. Ms. Landrum set up a Day of the Dead display in the library. Several students came and wrote notes to their dead loved ones. The library collaborated with current events class this year and did a mock election on November 4th. We had an excellent turnout as many kids wanted to vote; we only voted on people. Trump, Kehoe and Josh Hawley were the winners. Students were very excited to be able to participate in mock voting. We've also had several escape rooms this year. Mrs. Gilmore's class comes in and does them. We will be having a Gateway Award nominee party in order to vote for the best state award book. Students have to read at least two books in order to be eligible to vote. Along with collaboration, I order books and book supplies and make sure all library needs are met.



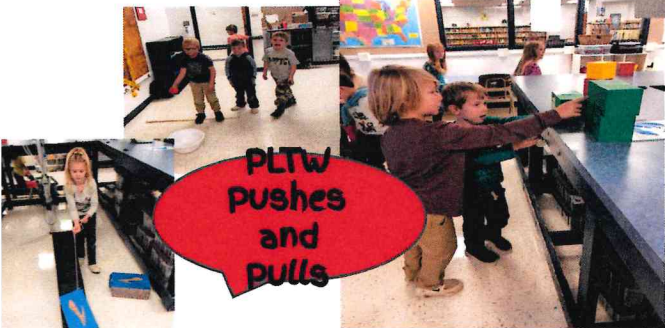
Audiobook Option



PLTW Stability and Motion



Ready Aim Write



PLTW pushes and pulls



PLTW Energy Exploration



Collaboration With Other Librarians

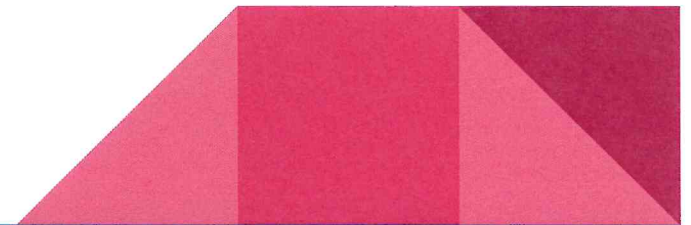
Robin, Abby and Carla make a great team. They know they can count on each other for help. We often have to figure things out on the fly.

Robin and Connie were able to attend the MASL conference last Spring. We met with lots of librarians and attended several interesting workshops. One of the highlights was a workshop with author Terry Border.

Connie learned new techniques for repairing books, games for the Library, and more about the Mark Twain Award nominees and Show Me Readers.

Robin attended a Follett Workshop and learned how to add Audiobooks to Destiny, create a carousel, and Display options among other useful tools. Other workshops were Power of School Librarians, We Have a Story to Tell, Power of School Librarians, Graphic Novels, and SB 775.

After our MASL conference last year, we had meetings with building principals and the Technology Department. We need to be sure our school libraries have procedures and policies in place to protect our students and staff. This year the three of us are meeting quarterly. We are working hard to make our libraries the best that they can be for our students.



BOOK FAIRS

- **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**
- Total Sales \$13,701.98 Profit \$3445.91
- Approximately \$1000 in Scholastic Dollars was used to offer teacher discounts, volunteer coupons and to provide free books for children who might not be able to purchase a book.
- Partnered with the HHS Eagle Grounds Coffee to offer hot drinks during our Grand Event. It is a great chance to promote relationships with families.
- We use these funds for assemblies, our school wide Reading Night and books.
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL** Total sales: \$2,900.00 this year.
- Twenty gift certificates were given to students who would not ordinarily be able to purchase books. All teachers were given gift certificates to purchase books for their classrooms.
- For every book purchased, students played a game to win a prize.
- Advisory competitions were held during book fair week and will be held during Read Across America Week.



Keeping Up With the Times

Media Library Specialist"Element 2 - Promotes student reading. (AASL Indicator 1.2, MSSL Indicators 2.1 and 2.4)"

Elementary Students are really learning to navigate the Library using Destiny online and genres to find their own books. Audiobooks are being used as a reading option after checkout. Several students listen to the books. Connie reads Show Me Reader and Mark Twain Award books to students during SOAR time. We have a Mark Twain contest for grades 3-5. Last year was our first community Reading Night. We have 100 people attend our event.

Middle School What's New Cat's in Literature theme this year. Still offering lunch in the library to students who read all Truman Nominees. Continue to update books and maintain an inspiring learning environment. Planned and held advisory competitions during the book fair and Read Across America Week. Created a Polar Express North Pole in the library in which students were served cocoa, treats and received a gift if they earned a train ticket for exemplary behavior. Reorganized the non fiction books to be more user friendly. This has resulted in a higher checkout of non fiction books. **Future Projects** Expand offerings in the STEAM lab and Studio. Continue to update the non fiction.

High School What's New Updated the Gateway Award nominees for 2024-2025 and Dogwood nominees for 2024-2025, different contests throughout each month. The Fiction Addiction book club started this year and our first book was Throne of Glass. **Future projects** include weed and update fiction and nonfiction. Add more STEAM related items to the makerspace. Replace carpet due to water damage.

Thank you

Thank you for your continued support as we strive to meet the needs of our students.

