

SEMESTER I
2020/2021

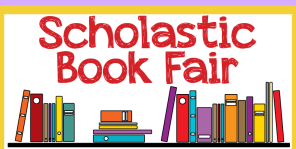


SPECIAL POINTS
OF INTEREST:

- **Library in the Time of COVID-19**
- **Mukilteo Middle School Must Reads**
- **Curbside Library**
- **Library Schoology Courses and Group**
- **E-books and audiobooks**

Library Staff:

- Mrs. Cheryl Jackson
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The Explorer PTO will host a virtual Scholastic Bookfair March 15-19, 2021. More information coming soon!

Explorer Library News

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Library in the time of COVID-19

My immediate response on March 12, 2020 when we got the word that we were going in to quarantine, was to get as many books in the hands of students as possible. We, the staff, had no idea what distance learning would look like as we were told initially that we would return to school on April 27th. So, I put the word out through email that students were free to come to the library and checkout books to have for reading during the quarantine.

As we finishing up the 3rd and 4th trimesters of the 2020 school year via distance learning, many of us had no idea what the fall would bring, but as the summer progressed we realized we would not be back in the building. Middle School librarians joined forces to come up with a plan for the fall, for having classes and providing our patrons with curbside library borrowing service. Only one thing was certain, our staffs and students had different needs and expectations for us at our various school, so although some things we could plan together, we would have to customize our approaches for the staff and students we serve. See my executed plan for curbside library and classes below.

EX Curbside Library every Wednesday from 12:00PM –2:30PM



Where? – In the bus drop off area on the northside of the school by House 3.

Who? 1. Students who put books on HOLD and received an email saying their books are ready to pick up.
2. Students dropping off library books or textbooks.

How? – Drive, bike, or walk around and stop we will come to you for pick up or drop off. Wear a mask please.

Anything else? – If you do not pick up your book(s) we will hold them until the next week, before returning them to the shelf. Or you can pick them up in the office from 8:00AM – 3:00PM; Th, F, M, T.

You may also drop off books at the office.

Library Services

Schoology Courses:

6th grade—6WCG-KQS9-5M8C9
7th grade—HQ72-4QVN-V66PF
8th grade—6BXC-DHMV-T7GCS
EL—SDJ4-947J-M9HCZ

Access

Login to Schoology, add a course, use the access code to join and check out the course.

Description

Each course consist of these folders:

First Chapter—Video readings of the first chapter of a recommended novels.

Library Skills—Videos teaching library skills and lesson students will need for checking out books, and electronic resources for distance learning.

Explorer Library—Includes miscellaneous information, videos, links, etc., about Explorer Middle School and the Library during distance learning. The EL course also includes other libraries' folders.

Monthly Folders—Videos of monthly reading recommendations and celebrations.

Schoology Group—Eagle Book Club—VTJK-V4B6-HMG3B

Login to Schoology, add a group, use the access code to join and check out the group.

The Eagle Book Club selections are a group of 24 books from various genres chosen by the Mukilteo middle school librarians to provide reading incentive for students. The Eagle Book Club meets once a month and we discuss four of the books from the list each month. Our meeting dates are posted in the Schoology group, as well as what books we will discuss. All club information can be accessed using the resource link on the left of the group launch page. For a listing of all 24 books and links to librarians' book talks, see page 2 of this newsletter.

Electronic Reading Resources

Destiny Library Catalog using SORA by Overdrive. Set up your SORA app first!

E-books, (books you read online) and audiobooks, (books read to you) are now available. See this video to set up your SORA App <https://www.loom.com/share/7a529a0a37b74d07929c4ff80152e3166> See this video to learn how to access e-books and audiobooks through the Destiny Discover. <https://www.loom.com/share/d240682d932941ca8847d4a653feeab5>

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Your Middle School Librarians

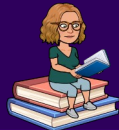
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Click on the link below the librarian's name to see their booktalks.

Mukilteo Middle School Must Reads (Eagle Book Club at Explorer)

Title & Author	Genre	Book Talk
Clap When You Land by Elizabeth Acevedo	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Jackson
Crying Laughing by Lance Rubin	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Tømmervik
The Field Guide to the North American Teenager by Ben Phillipe	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Peterson
Game Changer by Tommy Greenwald	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Jackson
A Land of Permanent Goodbyes by Atia Abawi	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Tømmervik
The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise by Dan Gemeinhart	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Tømmervik
Santiago's Road Home by Alexandra Diaz	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Tømmervik
Three Things I Know Are True by Betty Culley	Realistic Fiction	Mrs. Peterson
Allies by Alan Gratz	Historical Fiction	Mrs. Rahkonen
All The Stars Denied by Guadalupe Garcia McCall	Historical Fiction	Mrs. Peterson
Arlo Finch in the Valley of Fire by John August	Fantasy	Mrs. Peterson
Dreaming Dangerous by Lauren DiStefano	Fantasy	Mrs. Tømmervik
The Ghost Collector by Allison Mills	Fantasy	Mrs. Jackson
Layoverland by Gabby Noone	Fantasy	Mrs. Rahkonen
The Boy Who Became a Dragon: A Bruce Lee Story by Jim De Bartolo	Graphic Novel	Mrs. Peterson
Dragon Hoops by Gene Luen Yang	Graphic Novel	Mrs. Jackson
The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle by Leslie Connor	Mystery	Mrs. Rahkonen
Aurora Rising by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff	Science Fiction	Mrs. Rahkonen
Bloom by Kenneth Oppel	Science Fiction	Mrs. Rahkonen
A Perfect Blank by Rye Duran	Science Fiction	Mrs. Tømmervik
My Family Divided by Diane Guerrero	Non-Fiction	Mrs. Rahkonen
Flower in the Gutter: The True Story of the Edelweiss Pirates, Teenagers Who Resisted the Nazis by K. R. Gaddy	Non-Fiction	Mrs. Jackson
Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi	Non-Fiction	Mrs. Jackson
Warhead: The True Story of One Teen Who Almost Saved the World by Jeff Henigson	Non-Fiction	Mrs. Peterson