



Black-Eyed Susan Book Award

Each year the Black-Eyed Susan Book Award honors outstanding young adult literature by presenting an award to a book selected by Maryland students. The purpose of the award is to promote good reading habits and a lifelong appreciation of literature by encouraging students to read quality contemporary literature.

Middle school students may choose to read books from the 4th-6th grade selection or the 6th-9th grade selection. Students will be introduced to the twenty nominated chapter books during English classes. Any student who reads at least three of the nominated books and completes a form or takes a short quiz about each book will be invited to participate in the Black Eyed-Susan Voting Pizza Party. At the party students will discuss the books, and vote for their favorite.

The list of books, book forms, and quizzes are available on Edline. Completed forms and quizzes should be returned to the Media Center.

Computer Use

Students are encouraged to use the computers in the media center for creating school projects and research. Students must follow the MCPS computer use regulations. In addition the following rules must be adhered to at all times:

1. No IM, personal email, audio or video streaming are permitted.
2. Students are responsible for any damage incurred on a computer they are using.
3. Print only with permission.
4. Internet searches must be relevant to the research topic.

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John Poole Middle School Media Center Student Handbook 2010-2011



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Welcome to the John Poole Media Center

We hope that you will enjoy coming to the Media Center whether it is to do research or to select a book for reading. The Media Center is open to all students at John Poole M.S. and we are here to help you in any way we can.

Mission Statement

We, the students and staff of John Poole Middle School, will always give our best effort and work together to become independent users of the library media center and life-long learners.

Show Your Timberwolf PRIDE in the Media Center

PURPOSE- secure a pass to enter and have a reason for visiting

RESPECT- listen to and follow directions and use an appropriate volume and tone

INTEGRITY- use computers for educational purposes, and treat materials properly

DEDICATION- stay on task, return materials on time

EFFORT- make an attempt on your own before asking for help, keep your work area neat and clean



Circulation

Students may check out books for a two week loan period. Books may be renewed for an additional two week period unless there is another student on the reserve list for that book. Students may check out a maximum of four books. Exceptions may be made upon request for class assignments. Reference books may be checked out overnight.

Visiting the Media Center



The Media Center is open every school day from 7:25-3:15. Students are encouraged to visit for research and book selection. Upon entering or leaving the media center please use the sign in sheets on the circulation desk.

Before School- Students may visit before school after leaving their backpack in their locker.

During School- Once the bell has rung to start the school day students must have a pass to visit the media center. Students may also visit the media center during lunch. Passes are available from the lunch room aides.

After school- Students may arrange with the media staff to work in the media center after school. Students are responsible for arranging their own transportation and must be prepared to work on a school project or assignment while in the media center.

On-line Sources



These resources are a great source of information for homework and class assignments and can be used on the computers at school or at home. Handouts of the services with descriptions, passwords and web addresses are available at the circulation desk and on Edline in the Media Center (under Contents) in the general information folder.

Suggestion Box



The media center staff works to create an environment that meets the needs of all our students. We encourage you to make suggestions as to how we can make the media center better. Suggestions might include books that we should purchase or ways to improve the services we provide. Forms are available on the circulation desk counter.

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