Thank you for sharing this important piece of information with me.



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DATA FOR JANUARY

Total Checkouts: 1914 Total students who came on their own: 860

> Total scheduled classes: 87 Total students served: 2774

TOP CIRCULATION CHECKOUTS BY HOMEROOM

1.Mr. Dunn

2.Mrs. Torboli

3.Ms. Edwards

4.Ms. Burkhart

5.Ms. Johns

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

The SMS Battle of the Books team competed on January 30, 2020 at FCTC against all of the middle schools in St. Johns County. Although we did not come back with a win, the team worked hard to do the best they could. The competing members were Lucas Cruz, Eli Edwards, Jude Hicks, Gregory Rorex, and Donald Stables. Our supporting members were Abe Hoffman, Megan Lay, & Mason Whitmire.



SMS MEDIA CENTER UPDATES

Making your Sebastian Media Center work for you! January 2020

AUTHOR VISIT: ERIC WALTERS

During Literacy Week, Eric Walters, author of over 100 titles visited with Sebastian students who either read the novel, Elephant Secret, or completed a book study in Ms. DeAcutis's Critical Thinking class who also used math skills to design a zoo. Students were in awe of his presentation which included his background, inspiration for writing his books, and his foundation in Kenya, Creation of Hope. Afterwards, students were treated with a lunch and book signing with the author.



3D PRINTING WITH PERSONALITY & 8TH GRADE QUOTES

Ms. Torboli's Learning Strategies classes had collaborative lessons in the Media Center in January. Her 6th and 7th grade classes took personality tests and researched symbols of their personality. Afterwards, they used Tinkercad to create 3D printable versions of their symbols.



The 8th grade classes researched famous quotes to inspire them to create their own words of wisdom for their 8th grade quote to post in the Media Center. Then, they created the quotes on the Media Center's Silhouette Cameo machine and posted them to the Sebastian class of 2020 wall.







MAKERSPACE CHALLENGES



The Media Center's Makerspace is officially open. Students may use the space and the supplies within to create projects or complete challenges. Winners of each monthly challenge will be able to "SPIN THE WHEEL!". January's challenge was the red solo cup tower challenge. The winners built a tower over 9 feet tall. Come to the Makerspace to see February's challenge.

MICROSOFT & ACCESSIBILITY

Microsoft has several tools in their software to help students who need accommodations. Many of these features will be found on the online version. For instance, in MS Word, you can use the immersive reader to read text to a student. It can also change the background and fonts for easier viewing. Come by the Media Center and Mrs. Barnard can show you Microsoft tools to help with accessibility and inclusion.