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The SMS MEDIA CENTER: Where everything *literally* happens

SWAYING WITH CIVICS

Civics teachers, Ms. Lydigsen and Mr. Stevens, brought their students to the Media Center to learn about Microsoft's online presentation program called Sway. The free program is available to all St. Johns County students and staff. It works similarly to PowerPoint but with other enhancements. For instance, Sway comes with an integrated search engine so students do not encounter sites that are blocked or images that they cannot incorporate into their presentations due to download issues. Another popular feature is that students can upload a document or PowerPoint into Sway and it will create an automatic presentation for the students. The Civics classes then created a Sway based on the Bill of Rights and which Amendments were the most important. They also had to imagine what the United States would be like if they did not have those particular rights.







RED RIBBON WEEK



Red Ribbon Week is about saying no to drugs. It was held the last week of October and was promoted through the Media Center. Guidance counselor, Mr. Tagliarini, created a video and put a display of a beach scene in front of the multi-purpose room because the theme was based on surfing. The Red Ribbon events included wearing tacky outfits, dressing for an era, twinning with a positive person, wearing sports apparel, and dressing up as a favorite character. In addition to watching the video, students also wrote words of positivity on surfboard cutouts.

Click here to watch the video.







MAKERSPACE IS OPEN

Ms. Hagy's and Ms. King's 8th grade art classes helped develop the promotional videos for MakerSpace in the Media Center. Students documented how to create several projects. The MakerSpace is open to students during lunch. Students can pick up a pass in the morning and come after they have eaten their lunch. Projects cost between 10-25 PBIS points.





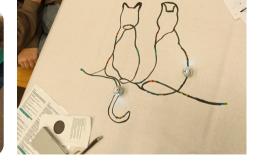


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THE ART OF OZOBOTS

Art collaborated again with the Media Center. Ms. Hagy's and Ms. King's first year art students learned about coding and applied what they learned about elements of design with Ozobots. Ozobots are tiny robots that read colors to perform a variety of actions. They are on loan from Instructional Resources and can be borrowed on a monthly basis. Students created collaborative pieces that the Ozobots

travelled across.





Total Circulation for October and November: 3770 Since last year, circulation increased by 31%.

Top Homerooms by Average **Patron Circulation**

- 1. Ms. Bentoski 6.41/patron 2. Mr. Kassay 5.82/patron
- 3. Ms. Deacutis 4.89/patron
- 4. Ms. Humieny 4.68/patron
- 5. Ms. Ludwick 4.68/patron

Top Grades by Average Circulation per Patron

- 1.6th 3.57/patron
- 2.8th 3.56/patron
- 3.7th 3.25/patron

Top Circulation by Teachers for Personal Enjoyment:

- 1. Ms. Gabaldon
- 2. Ms. Dempsey
- 3. Ms. Geraghty

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