I Survived: My first year as a media specialist

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11:05 AM
ON A TYPICAL MEDIA DAY...

8:15-9:15   4th Grade
9:15-10:15  3rd Grade
10:15-11:15  2nd Grade
Lunch
12:10-1:10  2nd Grade
1:10-2:10   1st Grade
2:10-3:10 Kindergarten
Advantages vs. Disadvantages

- Working with different types of learners
- More students, more coworkers
- Quick week
- Creativity
- 800 kids
- Not available for book checkouts
- Only see kids weekly
- Cost
Me: Don't touch anything until I'm done with the instructions.

Students:
Inspiration

Staff support

Gotta put it out there

Reorganizing

Very helpful assistants

Incorporating more

Varied activities

Engagement

Digital citizenship
INspiration

- Brittany Washburn (Teaching with Technology)
- NSLA Community

- Kelly Kenny
  Westside Elementary Libraries
- Donalyn Miller
- Gwyneth Jones-The Daring Librarian

- Craig Badura
- Kayla Dornfeld ND “TOY”
“Your staff probably doesn’t know what’s going on.”
U gotta put it out there

- **Toilet talks** - Staff Bathrooms
- Spotlight on the Library emails
- **Quarter report** - teachers and parents
WOODLAND PARK LIBRARY

Items Added:
319

Items Weeded:
482

Check outs:
9,567

NEED TO SHARE SOMETHING WITH ME???
type: Kelli Thelen and send!

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MEDIA MANIA

WHAT IS MEDIA?
All the ways that large groups of people get and share information (TV, books, the internet, newspapers, phones, etc.)

WHAT WILL WE LEARN?
A love for reading & books, digital citizenship, technology skills, collaboration, locating books, digital creation, computer programming

HOW CAN WE HELP?
choosing “just right” books technology trouble research special projects lesson ideas/resources
Library Reorganization

1,000 items weeded from each school
HOW WE MADE IT HAPPEN...

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FIC

Non-fiction
Very Helpful Assistants

- Set a timer!
- Recycling
  - Put chairs back in place
  - Find books on shelves that are not re-shelved correctly
  - Help any younger students check out books
  - Reshelve checked in books

Application
INCORPORATING MORE
CENTERS

- Reading center- Epic, books, magazines
- Game center- puzzle with fiction/nonfiction books
- Library Assistant- “librista app”, practice alphabetizing, “Shelver” game
- Technology center- place the keys on keyboard, color a keyboard
- Research- use a biography to make a trading card
- Writing- Create bookmarks
- Coding- unplugged games, Code Spark, Code Karts, code.org

Example of Directions
Coding resources

TpT-Brittany Washburn: Unplugged coding games
Tynker
Code Spark
Code Karts
Code.org
Typing with “Clucky”
Listening stations with iPads using Epic

Open reading times

Book Recommendations
Enhancing topics from the classroom
Story Book Pumpkins

Note home
ENGAGEMENT

Golden Sower FlipGrid

Book Wish List

Bookmark contests
Digital Citizenship

Common sense media
Brainpop
Google Interland
NetSmartz Kids

Craig Badura-Aurora Huskies
What’s next?....Future projects!

- Collaboration with the Norfolk Public Library
  - Library cards for students
  - Encourage trips to library
  - Encourage summer reading participation.
- Makerspaces/Centers at all of my schools
QUESTIONS?

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