WJHS Media Center Newsletter

September 2023



Grand Re-Opening

September 11th is finally here and the students will be able to check out some books! During next week, we will have some fun activities in store for everyone to celebrate our grand re-opening week.

We will have:

- A bookmark contest!
- A trivia question that will be different everyday
- Raffle prizes; one winner for every class!
- A photo op that includes our hashtag #CUSD201READS that will be posted to our Instagram.
- Please give us a follow on Instagram!
 @wjhs_media_center

During the grand re-opening week, we ask students not to bring their Chromebooks to the media center while their literacy classes are there. We want the trivia questions to be answered without any help from the web. Thanks!



Hispanic Heritage Month:

What is Hispanic Heritage Month? Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Also, Columbus Day or Día de la Raza, which is October 12, falls within this 30 day period.

https://www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov/about.html

Please enjoy these book trailers from great Hispanic authors!

Don't forget to sign your classes up for the media center. Click here
to sign up today. When scheduling your time, please reference which level you will be using and the purpose of your visit (i.e. checkouts, book club, etc.). Your level options are: upper level (near circulation desk) and lower level (near books). We want to make sure that the media center is accessible for everyone and we are available to assist you and your students. Please use the media center whenever you need it!



First Chapter Fridays

Let the library come to your classrooms! We would love to partner up with you to get our students interested in exploring different genres. Every Friday, we will read the first chapter of four different books/genres. We may even have guest readers come in throughout the year. Please sign up your class today. First Chapter Fridays will begin on Friday, September 22nd.

The Scholastic Book Fair!

The book cases will be available to view and purchase items the week of October 23rd. Please check the calendar to sign your classrooms up to view and purchase items. We will be giving away 15-\$5 Scholastic book fair credits. Five for every grade level. This is called "Locker Robbers." We will place tokens clearly stating what they are in 15 random lockers. Students can bring their tokens to the book fair and use it towards a book of their choice.

Book Review Videos

We know our students love technology and reading! Let's put both of their skills together to make book review videos. Students love to see what their peers are reading. What a perfect way to show them! Please ask your students if they would record and share their book reviews with the media center. These videos may be shared with staff, students and possibly on our website and Instagram. Videos shouldn't be longer than 1.5 minutes.. These videos may be shared with staff, students and possibly on our website and Instagram. Videos shouldn't be longer than 1.5 minutes.

Welcome back to the media center!