

# **District Library Plan**

2024-2028

## **District Mission Statement**

The School District of Fall Creek, along with the community, through meaningful personal connections, will provide a safe, supportive environment that inspires students to reach their academic and personal potential and to become responsible citizens.

## **District Vision Statement**

Committed to Academic and Personal Excellence

# **District Library Media Philosophy**

The library media program in the Fall Creek Schools exists to support and further the educational goals of the individual schools and those of the district. Because we believe that an educated individual is one who has learned how to learn, to examine, and to explore ideas, one of our goals is to develop students who will have the desire and the ability to learn independently. The Fall Creek Library Media Center's goals are to provide support for the instructional objectives of the schools' curriculum and provide opportunities for personal development and enrichment of individual students.

The function of the Library Media Center is to locate, gather, provide, and coordinate materials for learning and provide the essential technology required for the use of these materials. The concept of the library media program is one of instruction and service throughout the school so that a student can acquire and strengthen skills in reading, listening, observing, asking questions, generalizing and verifying, synthesizing, evaluating, and creatively organizing and communicating ideas. To further this concept, the Library Media Center must provide materials that satisfy these needs and make these materials easily accessible to all students. In addition, the Library Media Center staff must promote leisure reading through various enrichment activities.

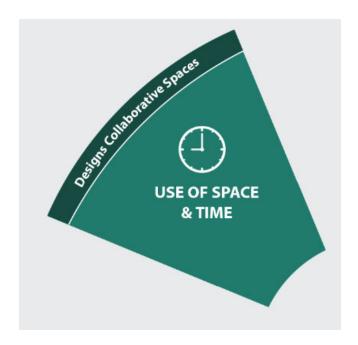
The Library Media Center staff fosters a positive and productive attitude toward learning and a sense of personal enjoyment in the world of ideas found in books and other forms of media. The development of a comprehensive media program is built on this foundation.





In compliance with the Wisconsin Administrative Code PI 8.01(2)(h), the Fall Creek School District Library has created a four year library plan which uses the Future Ready Librarian Framework to plan instruction, increase student achievement, provide equitable resources to all, and be a collaborative partner in district initiatives.

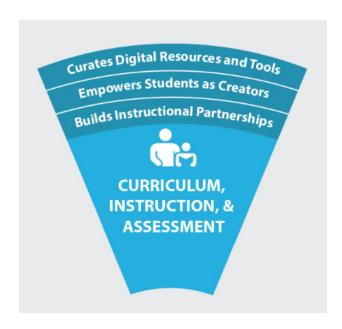
This is what the library is currently doing to support the Future Ready Librarian Framework and goals for the future.



- \* A hub for middle school project based learning work and meeting time
- \* Hosting site for high school spaces multiple types of work areas for student needs
- \* Comfortable reading and work areas for K-12
- \* Inviting and fun atmosphere for elementary classes to get excited about our offerings

# **Opportunities for Growth**

Finish the final phase of the recent library remodel



- \* Fixed library schedule for K-5 grade library classes
- \* Collection is current and ready for student access
- \* Digital Resources available via library website including Badgerlink, Pebble Go, World Book Online, Science Online, Tumble Books, Sora,
- \*Collaboration with multiple teachers to provide resources, instruction, and technology support

## **Opportunities for Growth**

- \* Increase number and elements of current digital citizenship lessons for upper elementary students
- \*Add additional elements to digital citizenship and safety lessons for lower elementary students



- \* Maintains professional relationships with area library media specialists to share method and procedural ideas and practices
- \* Maintains presence on digital media platforms to gain ideas in the library media realm
- \* Past attendance at state level conference
- \* Works with other specialists in building in goal work to find best practices in classroom procedures

# **Opportunities for Growth**

\* Again attend WEMTA conference to learn newest ideas and techniques in the media and technology circuit



- \* Member of the Wisconsin Schools Digital Library Consortium (WSDLC) to provide access to thousands of ebooks and digital audiobooks in addition to the hard copy collection
- Library website provides access to digital resources all in one location for K-12 students such as ebooks, audiobooks, online storybooks, and research databases/links
- Intake of student non-functioning student devices and dissemination of temporary check out devices for replacement
- \* Charging units available for students for devices
- \*
  Swank K-12 Movie Copyright Licensing

# **Opportunities for Growth**

Assist tech department in digitizing collection of non-functioning student devices for better tracking of repair and individual device maintenance



- \*Manages Common School Funds to purchase books, technology, and materials for library patrons use
- Purchases and maintains online subscriptions that support library and classroom curriculum building wide
- \* Analyzes digital resource usage to determine value of renewing subscriptions
- \* Seeks input from staff and students for purchase requests

## **Opportunities for Growth**

\* Conduct an official collection analysis to find areas and topics within the collection that either need updating or additional resources added



- \* Offers interlibrary loan to students
- \* Maintains WISCAT membership and sharing of materials with all libraries in a multi state partnership
- \* Works regularly with the public library director to ensure student access to interlibrary loan materials
- \*Collects photos and connects with community members to add local veterans to the Veteran's Day slideshow

### **Opportunities for Growth**

\* Sharing of Media Center news and happenings in district newsletter



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  Past goal related work to digital footprint
- \* Teaches upper elementary grade lessons on responsibility and ethical use of internet resources
- \* Teaches lessons on importance of securing personal and private information
- Student checkout and circulation procedures preserve student privacy and are equitable

# **Opportunities for Growth**

\* Create a scope and sequence for Digital Citizenship (currently working on)



Presents in upper grade classes as needed/requested by teachers for research databases and information gathering practices

- Fills teacher requests for unit related books
- \* Pulls book choices for specific student interests as requested by classroom teachers
- \* Works with teachers to find title solutions and multiple copies for classroom projects and unit requirements

### **Opportunities for Growth**

Reaching out to staff on a more regular basis to remind them of current and available offerings on library webpage and specific elements on them that may be useful for specific curricular areas

# **Approval of the District Library Plan by the FCSD Board of Education**

First reading of the plan: February 2024

Adoption of the plan: April 2024