

**Washington Township High School IMC
Monthly Report
January 2006**

Teaching and Learning

Statistics

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| Classes | 224 |
| Students with classes | 5,160 |

Information Skills

Entrepreneur students continued work on their business proposals using the teacher assignment page designed for the project.

English 10 students were shown how to access appropriate databases and how to use Publisher to research and design a pamphlet on Edgar Allen Poe. English 11 classes continued work on the American author research paper. English 12 classes were involved in a variety of projects. Some students researched the day they were born, and others worked on a world author research paper. Brochures were designed and presentations given on finding materials for each project. The librarians continued to collaborate with the English 11 teachers on team teaching the research paper.

Health classes researched drugs using the teacher assignment page designed for the project.

Science students used the IMC for different projects. Astronomy classes researched the space program for presentations on specific missions. Applied Science classes were given a presentation on OPAC and appropriate databases to conduct research on specific chemical elements.

Social studies classes used IMC resources for a variety of projects. Issues and Themes students research fascism, Nazism, and militarism. Some U. S. History I students researched western expansion and America's new economy for multi-media presentations. Others did research for papers. World History students worked on Renaissance biographies or research papers. Brochures were designed and presentations given for each project.

Information Access and Delivery

Statistics

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| Students with passes | 1,884 |
| Students after school | 816 |
| Books/audio-visual checked out | 1,850 |
| Magazine requests | 109 |

Audio-visual Materials

Ordered additional audio books, CDs, and DVDs for staff and students
Investigating “Opendrive”-a program that allows students and staff to download audio books to computers, MP3s, and Ipods

Technology Update

Installed an LCD projector for one of the teaching centers-made possible through the generosity of Tom Brown’s donation of the Inquirer’s award money to the IMC

Reading Promotion

Organized a ready reference section to allow staff and students easier access to material needed for commonly asked questions
Developed blog for student book club

Special Events

Designed commercial for t-shirts available for Read Across America
Began taking orders for t-shirts
Began scheduling for Read Across America
Displayed books for Martin Luther King Day

Program Administration

Ann Hill and Stephanie Gaughan presented a workshop on plagiarism to district librarians
Ann Hill attended a South Jersey Regional Library Association board meeting
Librarians collaborated with subject matter teachers on IMC team-teaching lessons
Librarians weeded reference section to update materials and to move appropriate titles to ready reference section