



**January 23-27, 2017**

**District Plan**

**Martin County School District –  
“Literacy Changes Our World” Events**

**Ongoing District/School  
Events**

Martin County School District’s 12 elementary schools, 5 middle schools and 3 comprehensive high schools will be celebrating literacy week with numerous general events:

- author visits,
- school-wide read alouds,
- book swaps,
- family literacy nights,
- guest read alouds,
- characters coming alive through teacher/student costumes,
- literacy poster, bookmark and poetry contests,
- and books shared that showcase students’ and teachers’ love of reading via school announcements, book trailers, and “Ask me what I’m reading” displays. **Indiantown Middle School** will focus on different subject area “favorite reads” by its faculty.

Throughout the week, **Anderson Middle School** will do a “Give One/Get One” book exchange and have an academic vocabulary challenge during student lunch periods.

Each day on the morning news at **Crystal Lake Elementary**, guest readers will showcase a children author’s work followed up by teachers doing read alouds with that author’s books along with strategy lessons focusing on things such as descriptive words, figurative language, and theme.

Book characters *ROCK* on **Hobe Sound Elementary’s** campus. Students will paint a rock to look like a favorite literary character. The rocks will then be hidden. The class/students who find the most rocks will receive a special recognition on the schoolwide announcements.

**Jensen Beach Elementary** will issue their students a “Passport to Reading” where students will rotate through different stations each day

	<p>learning about a different genre and listening to a story from that genre with special guest authors and readers. As they visit each “destination,” they will receive a stamp on their passport.</p> <p><b>SeaWind Elementary</b> will have a week-long “Mystery Book Challenge” in which clues will be given each day on the morning announcements about the gift-wrapped selection. Classes will get to guess the title of the mystery text and books will be awarded to the winners.</p> <p><b>Stuart Middle School is doing a friendly “Book Drive Competition”</b> in their ELA classes. Students will bring in books to donate throughout the week of 1/23. Each individual student in the winning class will be given a \$5.00 voucher to be used at the Spring Book Fair. All books collected will be donated to organizations in the community who would benefit, e.g. Hibiscus Children’s Center.</p> <p>The following are some events unique to other school sites on specific days during Celebrate Literacy Week:</p>
<p><b>Monday, January 23</b></p>	<p><b>Murray Middle School</b> will use this week’s lunch periods to have “local celebrities’ participate in a Poetry Slam and they will feature different music from productions based on literary works: <i>Les Miserables, Gatsby, Matilda, Phantom of the Opera, and Wicked.</i></p> <p><b>Hidden Oaks Middle School’s</b> civics students are leading their own Civics Game Show utilizing the Just Read, FL’s quiz show questions.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, January 24</b></p>	<p><b>Citrus Grove Elementary</b> will have students take a literacy pledge to become an “All American Reader”; students/staff can wear their red, white, and blue. This is followed by their Camp Read-A-Lot Literacy Night on Wednesday, complete with a campfire read aloud! During the week, the media center will be transformed into a campground with tents and a faux fire pit. CGE will also host the Scholastic Book Fair all week.</p> <p><b>Martin County High</b> will recognize the value of literacy and what it means around the world while students also create their own bookmarks. The best bookmark wins a Kindle Fire.</p> <p><b>Pinewood Elementary</b> is hosting a Family Literacy Night where parents will experience a fiction and nonfiction balanced literacy activity, a book swap will take place, and students will showcase their writing in the Writing Gallery.</p>

<p><b>Wednesday, January 25</b></p>	<p>The Education Foundation of Martin County will unveil author Carolyn Buehner’s <i>Snowmen at Night</i> StoryWalk® in <b>Palm City Elementary School’s</b> Giving Garden. A StoryWalk® combines the benefits of reading and walking outdoors. PCE’s week will have a “Warm Up to Literacy” theme complete with some “snowball” vocabulary fun on Friday.</p> <p><b>Port Salerno Elementary</b> is having “Word Up Wednesday” where students can dress as their favorite vocabulary word.</p> <p><b>Jensen Beach High</b> will treat two students to the Treasure Coast Literacy Society’s luncheon at Northern Trust Bank. Each year, they invite the three high schools to participate in their monthly luncheons with visiting authors. Students receive a signed copy of the book and get to hear the various authors present.</p> <p><b>South Fork High School</b> is serving up a stack of pancakes along with some giftwrapped books for its 9<sup>th</sup> grade reluctant readers. Students receive a novel of their choice. The event is sponsored by the Martin County Education Foundation and Philoptochos Society St. John Chrysostom Chapter.</p>
<p><b>Thursday, January 26</b></p>	<p><b>Bessey Creek Elementary</b> wants to recognize its own student authors as they write letters to their favorite children’s authors telling about the books they love and why. Perhaps they may even make a pen pal in the process!</p>
<p><b>Friday, January 27</b></p>	<p><b>Felix A. Williams Elementary</b> will conclude their week awarding a K-2 class for the most books read and a Gr. 3-5 class for the most pages read during the week. All classes will participate in a READolution Celebration by creating a Wordle which will be displayed in the front office celebrating reading goals set for the month.</p> <p><b>J.D. Parker Elementary</b> keeps the Just Read, FL tradition of the <i>Million Minute Marathon</i> by totaling all the independent reading minutes its students logged this week.</p> <p><b>Warfield Elementary</b> will wrap up the week with a character parade followed by “Literacy on the Lawn” where parents can join their students to read or write with them.</p>