"Our libraries teach students and staff to be effective users of information and cultivate a passion for learning."
Elementary Libraries at a glance:

Orchard Park has 4 elementary libraries with a fixed/flex schedule. These libraries serve a total of 2,011 students. The elementary libraries boast an impressive collection of 74,717 books chosen and organized by professionals to meet the individual needs of each school and support the Common Core Curriculum. In the 2016—2017 school year the elementary libraries circulated 125,290 books to the young readers of Orchard Park.

- Elementary librarians have scheduled time with grades K—2, teaching them library skills and setting a foundation for a strong academic future. Older grades are seen weekly for book exchanges.

- Each year our elementary librarians collaborate on over 75 multi-lesson research projects with students in grades 3 – 5. Projects include topics like:
  - National Parks Research
  - Author Study
  - Genre Study
  - Planets
  - Library Card Contest
  - Skype author visits
  - Book talks

Secondary Libraries at a glance:

Orchard Park students funnel from 4 elementary schools to one Middle and one High School. When students arrive in the secondary libraries they take the skills they have learned in the elementary level and build on them; learning research skills, how to use databases and how to cite their sources. The secondary libraries have a total of 24,530 books, and circulated 18,433 books this past year.

- All 6th grade students take a course, taught by the Middle School Librarians, called Library and Information Skills. Here students learn study skills, research foundations and library organization. The Middle school also works collaboratively with each department to create exciting projects to support the curriculum, in addition to fostering a love of reading with several reading promotion initiatives.

- High School students complete research projects at every level, learning how to craft a thesis, how to choose the best resources and how to cite them. Projects focus on using high level databases and close reading for information then constructing a well written paper. These skills build on what they have learned before and set them up for a successful future at college and in their chosen careers.
School: **Eggert Elementary**
Principal: **Terence Tyron**
Library Media Specialist: **Kerra Trivieri**
Enrollment (as of 5/30/17): **520 students**
Materials in the collection: **19,320**
Number of materials circulated this year (as of 6/01/17): **~25,000**
Number of books weeded from collection: **39**
Number of computers available for student use: **15 laptops**

**Eggert Elementary Highlights:**

Classes served: Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade (weekly); 3rd, 4th, and 5th (bi-weekly book exchange and various research projects).

**Intermediate Collaborative Projects:**

- Rocks & Minerals Research/Glogster (3rd grade)
- Countries of Heritage Research (3rd Grade)
- Biography Research/Aurasma App (3rd Grade)
- Zoo Animal Research (3rd Grade)
- Genre Book Clubs (3rd grade, 4th grade, 5th grade)
- Book Spine Poetry (4th grade)
- Biography Research (4th Grade)
- Book Trailers (4th Grade)
- Breakout EDU (4th and 5th Grades)
- Three Branches of Government Research (5th grade)
- National Parks Research/Podcasts (5th grade)
- Rainforest Animal Research/Glogster (5th Grade)
- “You Choose Your Topic” Speech Research (5th Grade)

**Library initiatives:**

- Library web pages were updated on a regular basis.
- Submitted monthly articles for PTO newsletters.

**Committee Member:**

- Author’s Day Co-Chair, Sunshine, Summer Reading, District/Building Technology, Professional Development
School: **Ellicott Road Elementary**
Principal: **Paul Pietrantone**
Librarian: **Brendan Fallon**
Library Media Aide: **Liz Payne**
Enrollment: **608**
Books in the collection: **21,875**
Books per pupil: **35.9**
Number of books circulated this year (as of 6/1/17): **42,415** (38,067 last year).
Number of books weeded: **308**
Number of books added: **900**
Non Fiction titles: **10,423**
Fiction titles: **9,274**
Number of computers available for student use: **24, 1 ipad**

**Ellicott Elementary Highlights:**
Classes served: Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade (weekly); 3rd, 4th, and 5th (weekly book exchange and assorted research projects).

**Intermediate Collaborative Project Highlights:**
- 4th grade: writing a bibliography, how to paraphrase.
- 3rd grade: ELA Module 3, unit 1, lesson 4.
- 3rd Grade: Nutrition, Animals, Labels, Biography
- 2nd Grade Independent Research

**Other Highlights:**
- Double author visit!
**Professional:**
- Author visit Committee
- Reading Committee
- Building Tech
School: South Davis Elementary
Principal: Christine Rassow
Library Media Specialist: Christina Carter
Library Media Aide: Danielle Griffin
Enrollment: 329
Books in the collection: 16,858
Books per pupil: 20
Number of materials circulated this year: 14,766
Number of books weeded: 81
Non Fiction titles: 2,649
Fiction titles: 4,151
Number of computers available for student use: 14 desktops and 30 laptops

Events & Activities
- Ran a 5th grade student library assistant program with 21 students.
- Produced nearly 40 teacher & staff Book Talk videos with the help of 5th grade library assistants. Made QR code cards that went on our Book Shelfie that hangs outside the library doors. Each teacher posted theirs either inside or outside the classrooms.
- Hosted Polar Express celebration in the library.
- Presented with a 3rd Grade student during 5th Grade EdCamp about making Comic Books.
- Participated in Orchard Park Library’s Library Card Competition.
- Held 5th Grade Boys Book Club & arranged Skype with the author John David Anderson.
- Held 5th Grade Girls Book Club & arranged a surprise visit with the author Dee Romito.
- Held a 1st Grade Notebook of Doom year end celebration in the library & arranged Skype with the author Troy Cummings.
- Author Visit with Poet Amy Ludwig VanDerwater & Held a well attended Poetry Night that included a Writer’s station with Amy, Book Making with Diane Bond, and Open Mic Poetry with myself.
- Partnered with 3rd Grade team for walking trip to OP Library to kick off Mystery Unit.
- Arranged 5th Grade walking trip to OP Library
- Arranged visit from OP Library’s Children’s Librarian to visit with 3rd & 4th Grade in the SD Library.

Library Management - Collection Development
- Just under 490 new books were added to the library for our students and staff to enjoy

Classroom Collaboration
- All of K-5 at South Davis came to the library on a weekly basis.
- Flex time was used weekly by 3rd-5th grade for lessons, units, and projects that lasted anywhere from 1-4 days in a row of collaborative instruction.
School: **Windom Elementary**
Principal: **Phil Johnson**
Library Media Specialist: **Jim Clark**
Library Media Aide: **Amy Powell**

Enrollment (as of 6/1/2017): **554**
Books in the collection: **16,664**
Books per pupil: **30**

Number of materials circulated this year (as of 6/01/2017): **43,109**
Number of new books: **886**
Number of books weeded: **869**

Non Fiction titles: **6,105**
Fiction titles (Chapter books): **3,993**
Picture books: **3,949**

Number of computers available for student use: **33**

**Windom Highlights:**

**Classes served:**
Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade (weekly); 3rd, 4th, and 5th (weekly/bi-weekly book exchange and various research projects).

- Kelly DiPucchio author visit preparation for all grades
- Collaborated with co-curricular teachers on Kelly DiPucchio activities
- Dr. Dolittle: operetta preparing and performing
- Numerous 20 minute lessons to 3rd, 4th and 5th grade such as:
  - Online Catalog, Databases and Online Subscriptions, Dictionaries,
  - Good Fit Books, How to put a book on hold, Atlases, Author visit preparation
- Public Library Card Sign-up Contest
- Weekly Book Talks/Speed Book Dating to some 5th grade classes before book exchange
- Dragon Was Terrible writing/art project with Mrs. Miller and Mr. Bond for 2nd grades
- New books display for all students to preview
- Pulled books for genre specific book reports for many grades and classroom projects
- Pulled Fountas and Pinnell leveled books for many, many classes
- Break-out EDU with 2nd grade classes with Mrs. Hollar and Mrs. Miller
- Using Touchcast had a 4th and 5th grade class create book trailers for Kelly DiPucchio books
School: **Orchard Park Middle School**  
Principal: **Aaron Grupka**  
Library Media Specialist: **Christine Tempestoso & Paul Kloster**  
Library Media Aide: **Lori Werner**  
Enrollment (as of 6/05/2017): **1,146**  
Books in the collection: **12,774**  
Books per pupil: **11.15**  
Number of materials circulated this year (as of 6/05/2017): **13,176**  
Number of books weeded (as of 6/03/2017): **579**  
Non Fiction titles: **8,981**  
Fiction titles: **7,607**  
Professional titles: **186**  
Number of computers available for student use: **15**  

**OPMS Highlights:**  

**Library Classes:**  
- Served 744 classes, including:  
  - 6th grade Ancient Egypt research project;  
  - 7th grade Revolutionary War research project  
  - 8th grade Renewable Energy debate project  
  - Multiple Breakout Activities for a variety of 6th, 7th, and 8th grade classes  
  - Hosted Battle of the Books competition with Alden and Hamburg Middle School  
  - Over 100 book talks!  

**Circulation:**  
- Added over 1,000 individually selected titles to the collection.  
- Created eye-catching book displays, monthly library promotions, and contests to increase circulation.  
- “Genrefied” biography collection to make it more user friendly and student driven.  

**Makerspace:**  
- Created Makerspace classroom for students to discover and explore hands-on activities.  
- Introduced Makey Makeys, basic coding, Duct Tape activities, Perla Beads, and Piper cleaner challenge to study hall students.  
- Educated faculty and staff on the Makerspace movement on January conference day.  

**Professional Development Highlights:**  
- Librarians attend IL, OPTA, 6th grade and department meetings, as well as serve on the following committees: Building and District Technology, Building and District PDC, and Building Safety.  
- Kloster facilitates BIG (game board) club.  
- Both are active in SLAWNY and attend the NYLA SSL 2017 Conference.
School: **Orchard Park High School**
Principal: **Jon Wolf**
Library Media Specialist: **Beth DiLucente, Jessica Godios**
Library Media Aide: **Marcy Arthur** Monitor: **Lynn Kruska**
Enrollment (as of 5/30): **1503**
Books in the collection: **11756**
Non Fiction titles: **7271**
Fiction titles: **4485**
Number of materials circulated this year (as of 6/01/2017): **5,257**
Number of computers available for student use: lab space = **90** chromebook carts = **120** iPads = **30**
**Classes Served:** The library served **2,275** classes this year. On average that is **14 classes** per day.
- Librarians developed and taught 2 different Freshmen Boost lessons (63 classes total)
- Librarians collaboratively taught many different projects including:
  - English thesis papers at every level
  - Health projects: Drugs research, Disease and Disorder research, Fast Food project
  - Policy Magazine for Government classes
  - Developed and taught “What If” project with Nicole Holler for American History classes

**Study Hall/Open Campus Students:** The library saw **2,5582** students this year outside of scheduled classes. That is about **163** students per day from Study Hall, Open Campus and before and after school.

**Genrefying:** This year the OPHS library re-organized its fiction section into genres. This has resulted in an **11%** increase in fiction circulations over last year. It has also made browsing and booktalks easier for students and staff.

**Breakout EDU:** The librarians purchased and implemented the use of Breakout EDU kits in our building, including using the kits with Freshmen Boost and English classes and teaching staff development classes on the new equipment. The kits were also used by the Math department

**Chromebooks:** The library assisted with the rollout of 1500 chromebooks for students, including training students and running a help desk in the library.

**Professional Development:**
Mrs. Godios is our district’s representative for the School Library System and has taken a variety of professional development this year in addition to being awarded the Retiree Grant.

Mrs. DiLucente sits on the following committees: IL, Building Technology, District Technology, and Chromebook Rollout and advises Book Club, GSA and Pulse.

Both librarians are active in SLAWNY and attended the statewide conference this year, as well as the Digital Wave conference at WNYRIC, and the Teen Book Festival at Nazareth College.