



Saraland Early Education Center Library Media Services



Mission Statement

- The mission of the library is to assist the “Little Spartans” in becoming lifelong learners, readers, and critical thinkers. This is accomplished through providing leveled reading books, teaching comprehension activities, and monitoring individual reading achievement.





Library Services, Support, and Stats



- Instruction is provided weekly to support the educational goals of the school.
- Teacher resources are available through email requests. The teacher emails the request, and the resources are placed in their teacher mailbox on the same day.
- Books for classroom libraries are also available. Books can be checked out to the teacher and circulated among the classroom students as needed.
- The library houses 5,874 Perma-Bound hardback library books.
- On average, 200 books are checked out daily by Kindergarten and 1st Grade students.



Additional Library Services and Support



- “Little Spartans” attend weekly classes in the library. During this 45 minute time period, students participate in activities to build comprehension and critical thinking skills. Also, students checkout books. Each student in the school visits the library each week.
- “Little Spartans” are also allowed to visit the library daily during Open Library Time to checkout books for the Accelerated Reader Program. Open Library Times are daily from 9:10-9:40 and 11:45-12:30.



Instructional Activities

- The “Little Spartans” library weekly activities include...
 - Checking in library books
 - Locating books according to their teacher-assigned A.R. Level and Card
 - Counting our way to “The 100th Day” and reading a numbered poem
 - Searching for the Library Bookworm “Mr. Wiggles”
 - Reviewing how to be a good library friend
 - Viewing an online story or reading and listening to a myOn book (followed by a whole group discussion)
 - Listening to a book for story time
 - Completing a comprehension activity based on the book from story time
 - Checking out library books



Accelerated Reader Kindergarten

Kindergarten Points:

- 1 point: Name on Bulletin Board
- 2 points: Reading Stretchy Bracelet
- 3 points: Free Snack
- 5 points: Brag Tag
- 8 points: Out of Uniform
- 10 points: A. R. Superstar T-shirt
- 12 points: Reading Poster
- 15 points: Free Zaxby's Lunch from Dr. Williams





Accelerated Reader 1st Grade

1st Grade Points

3 points: Name on Bulletin Board

5 points: Reading Stretchy Bracelet

10 points: Out of Uniform Pass

15 points: A.R. Superstar T-shirt

20 points: Prize Package

25 points: Free Zaxby's Lunch from

Dr. Williams

30 points: Picture Reading Poster





Additional A. R. Rewards



- The “Little Spartans” are rewarded each quarter for reaching the A.R. goals set by their teachers, in addition to the schoolwide A.R. goals.
- For first quarter, 298 “Little Spartans” reached their A.R. goal set by their teacher.
- The students celebrated in their classrooms with a Marcos Pizza Party.



Reading to WIN!!!



- This fall the “Little Spartans” are encouraged to participate in the statewide “Be a Champion - Read” contest sponsored by the AEA.
- To enter, students must either read six books independently or have six books read to them at home.
- Once finished, parents complete the submission form and return to the child’s teacher.
- The completed submission form is mailed in for a chance to win tickets to the 2021 Iron Bowl.



Funding and Finance

The Scholastic Book Fair Fundraiser held in April of 2021 raised \$2,108.21 for library books.

Each year, the library receives state funding. The SEEC staff generously allows \$5,000 each year for the purchase of new library books.

In August of 2021, the SEEC library received an additional \$5,000 from SBOE funds to replace all books lost or damaged during the quarantine period in 2020.

All library funds are used for the purchase of Perma-Bound books suitable for the “Little Spartans”.