

# Water Spring MS

Media Center Collection Development Plan 2023-24



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## **Executive Summary**

### District Strategic Plan 2025

Orange County Public Schools is the eighth-largest school district in the United States and the fourth largest in Florida. The district serves more than 206,000 students at 202 schools and is one of the largest employers in Central Florida with more than 25,000 team members.

**Vision:** To ensure every student has a promising and successful future.

**Mission:** With the support of families and the community, we create enriching and diverse pathways to lead our students to success.

#### School Collection Development Plan

Water Spring MS serves 767 students enrolled in grades sixth through eighth. The student population's ethnicity is made of 50% Hispanic and 50% Non-Hispanic students. Additionally, we serve a diverse population made up of 85% White, 5% Black, 0% Native, 4% Asian, 1% Pacific, and 4% Multicultural students.

The administration includes Principal Brian Sanchez Corona, Assistant Principal Nicole Mutters, and Assistant Principal Arnetta Heidelberg. Water Spring MS is proud to offer many special programs which provide students with opportunities. These include band, drama, art, chorus, National Junior Honor Society, Debate, PLTW (STEM), SGA, Athletic Teams, Tutoring, Journalism/Yearbook, Peer Counseling, TV Production, Photography Club, Nintendo Club, and various other support clubs.

A thorough analysis of the current media center collection at Water Spring MS indicates that the average age of the collection is 2019 and the number of books per student is 11. The <u>American Association for School Libraries</u> has established a criteria for highly effective media centers that includes a ratio of 15-20 books available per student in the collection.

At this time, Water Spring MS does not meet the recommended standards for the number of books per student.

The analysis of the collection also revealed the following areas of strengths and concerns:

• ELA scores dropped in two grade levels so consideration should be given to titles that would support literacy growth. Civics scores also dropped by a small percentage, and as this test is mostly a reading test but at a higher level, including books with a higher lexile in our collection would benefit our students. Furthermore, we saw a decline in science scores; by including more up-to-date and relevant books about science we may see an improvement in this area. Finally, overall math scores within the school improved, for this reason we

- should focus more on books that will assist in elevating the overall literacy of the students, which will improve scores in multiple subject areas.
- In addition to the physical media center collection, the district provides almost 5,000 eBooks, audiobooks, and digital magazines.
- We need to update outdated books regarding technology and science, which may improve related test scores.
- Our 6th and 7th grade reading scores are low and dropped from the previous year, therefore by adding higher level books to our collection we can expect books that might challenge them more and assist in their growth, as our current collection is an average of a 5th grade reading level.
- Our population is 50% Hispanic but we only have a 2.6% representation in our collection, therefore adding more Latinx representation in our collection needs to be a major priority.

# **School Assessment Analysis**

The school assessment analysis provides an overview of the school's assessment data for the previous two school years.

| Proficiency Data   |         |                                    |         |                        |         |                                     |         |
|--------------------|---------|------------------------------------|---------|------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Assessment         | 2021-22 | Assessment                         | 2022-23 | Assessment             | 2021-22 | Assessment                          | 2022-23 |
| FSA ELA<br>Grade 6 | 58%     | FAST ELA<br>Proficiency<br>Grade 6 | 50%     | FSA Math<br>Grade 6    | 51%     | FAST Math<br>Proficiency<br>Grade 6 | 78%     |
| FSA ELA<br>Grade 7 | 58%     | FAST ELA<br>Proficiency<br>Grade 7 | 57%     | FSA Math<br>Grade 7    | 64%     | FAST Math<br>Proficiency<br>Grade 7 | 35%     |
| FSA ELA<br>Grade 8 | 54%     | FAST ELA<br>Proficiency<br>Grade 8 | 54%     | FSA Math<br>Grade 8    | 34%     | FAST Math<br>Proficiency<br>Grade 8 | 67%     |
| Civics<br>EOC      | 80%     | Civics<br>EOC                      | 78%     | FSA Algebra<br>1 EOC   | 72%     | BEST<br>Algebra 1<br>EOC            | 89%     |
| NGSSS Sci 8<br>EOC | 59%     | NGSSS Sci 8<br>EOC                 | 54%     | FSA<br>Geometry<br>EOC | 88%     | BEST<br>Geometry<br>EOC             | 100%    |

#### Comparison between 2021-22 and 2022-23 Testing Data

(adapted from <a href="https://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/results/2023.stml">https://www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/results/2023.stml</a>) In 2023, the state transitioned from Florida Standards Assessments (FSA) to Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics. The 2022-23 for FAST and Benchmarks for Excellent Student Thinking (B.E.S.T.) End-of-Course (EOC) assessments are based on **provisional** achievement level cuts that are linked to

each assessment's respective 2021-22 reporting scale. Comparisons should not be made between the 2023 data and previous years' data.

## **Collection Analysis**

The collection is developed for and influenced by students, their interests, academic needs and alignment to the curriculum. The data below is a snapshot of the collection based on a Titlewise Analysis from July 2023. Purchasing or weeding after that time is not reflected in this data.



8,368 Items in the Collection



Items per Student



59% **Fiction Titles** in the Collection



**Nonfiction Titles** in the Collection

Library media resources are curated to include both recently published works and classics that both rightfully impact the average age of the collection.



2019 Average Age of the Collection



**Aged Titles** 



81% Newer than 5 Years

Library media resources should be representative of the school. A commitment to representative literature is reflective of **OCPS** values such as equity, inclusion, and respect.



Representative Titles in Collection



2019 Representative Titles Average Age

Social-Emotional Learning (SEL) library media resources can contribute to the **development** of character and social-emotional skills, one of the OCPS's key performance indicators.





SEL Titles in Collection SEL Titles Average Age

Library media resources are distributed across the *Lexile reading level ranges* noted below.



| 8               | <b>9</b> 7        | 222             |  |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|--|
| BR-199          | 200-349<br>Lexile | 350-499         |  |
| Lexile<br>Items | Items             | Lexile<br>Items |  |
|                 |                   |                 |  |

| 1185                       | 2098                       | 1211                        | 4                        |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 500-674<br>Lexile<br>Items | 675-909<br>Lexile<br>Items | 910-1299<br>Lexile<br>Items | 1300+<br>Lexile<br>Items |
|                            |                            |                             |                          |

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## **Collection Analysis by Category**

The information collected in this section provides a detailed look at the current library collection by classification and genre. The information was gathered from Follett Destiny, the library management system, and Titlewave, the vendor's ordering and analysis tool.

| Section  | # of Titles | Average Age |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Computer Science,<br>Information & General Works | 75          | 2020        |
| Philosophy & Psychology                          | 56          | 2020        |
| Religion   | 42          | 2015        |
| Social Sciences                                  | 465         | 2020        |
| Language   | 13          | 2017        |
| Science  | 480         | 2020        |
| Technology                                       | 398         | 2020        |
| Arts & Recreation                                | 452         | 2020        |
| Literature                                       | 91          | 2015        |
| History & Geography                              | 441         | 2020        |
| Biography  | 459         | 2020        |
| College and Career                               | 71          | 2020        |
| Reference  | 22          | 2016        |
| General Fiction                                  | 4460        | 2019        |
| Graphic Novels                                   | 835         | 2019        |

#### Notes

- Reference is the oldest collection followed by Literature collection and religion collections
- Language collection is the smallest as this mostly contains bilingual dictionaries, which are used for testing purposes.
- Science and technology average age is 3 years old, so this will need weeding based on aged out information (16 books already need weeding)
- Average reading level in library is 5th grade; we need more books at a higher lexile/AR
- Since we are a new collection, the nonfiction section will be adjusted after the students have had opportunities to express their interests.

# **Representation Analysis**

| Enrollment & Demographic Data                         |                       |                            |                    |                               |                            |  |
|---|-----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| 767   |                       | Subgroups Federal Ethnicit |                    | Ethnicity                     |                            |  |
| 2023-24 Student Enrollment<br>as of September 7, 2023 |                       | <b>36%</b><br>ELL          | <b>5%</b><br>ESE   | 50% 50%<br>Hispanic Non-Hispa |                            |  |
|   | Federal Race Category |                            |                    |                               |                            |  |
| <b>85%</b><br>White                                   | <b>5%</b><br>Black    | <b>0%</b><br>Native        | <b>4%</b><br>Asian | <b>1%</b><br>Pacific          | <b>4%</b><br>Multicultural |  |

To deepen focus on strategic collection development, specific sections of the collection were analyzed in detail to determine whether the media center collection reflects and represents various points of view and experiences. The goal is to provide a balanced collection that can be both a mirror, to reflect a reader's experience, and a window, so readers can experience different viewpoints.

#### Results

Based on the available school data of Water Spring MS in comparison to Collection Analysis results, it was found that:

| Student<br>Representation | % of Students | Total # of Titles | Total % of Titles | Avg. Age of<br>Titles |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Hispanic                  | 50%           | 217               | 2.6%              | 2019                  |
| Black                     | 5%            | 424               | 5%                | 2019                  |
| Asian                     | 4%            | 142               | 1.7%              | 2020                  |

# **Strategic Focus**

This page lists the priorities for selection and weeding for each school year and includes the action, updates, and outcomes. This is subject to change due to funding and time constraints.

| School Year | Strategic Focus   |  |  |  |
|-------------|---|--|--|--|
| 2023-2024   | <ul> <li>Selection Priorities</li> <li>Strengthen collection to be more representative of our Latinx population, including books in their native language</li> <li>Expand collection to include higher lexile/AR levels to increase average reading levels to improve literacy school-wide</li> <li>Adjust collection to include more books based on student interests and requests</li> </ul>                      |  |  |  |
|             | Weeding Priorities     Limited weeding for outdated non-fiction titles, paying particular attention to technology and science     Limited weeding for books that are damaged beyond repair  |  |  |  |
| 2024-2025   | <ul> <li>Selection Priorities</li> <li>Continue to examine shifting demographics and include titles to match representation</li> <li>Continue to strengthen collection to be more representative of our Latinx population, including books in their native language</li> <li>Expand collection with remaining funds based on student and community interest and needs</li> <li>SSYRA Books for 2024-2025</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
|             | <ul> <li>Weeding Priorities</li> <li>Remove outdated materials</li> <li>Review circulation statistics for weeding decisions</li> <li>Weed multiple copies of past SSYRA books and other duplicates</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |

# **Budget and Purchasing Plan**

This page outlines the current budget available and specifically lists the priorities for this school year (2023-2024).

## Annual Budget 2023-2024

| State Funds                 |          |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|----------|--|--|--|
| Source                      | Amount   |  |  |  |
| State (1001111000)          | 7,365.66 |  |  |  |
| Accou                       | unts     |  |  |  |
| Source                      | Amount   |  |  |  |
| Internal funds (IDs)        | 15.00    |  |  |  |
| Internal Funds (Lost books) | 33.02    |  |  |  |
| Grants or Donations         | TBD      |  |  |  |
| Fundraisers TBD             | TBD      |  |  |  |
|                             |          |  |  |  |
| TOTAL                       | 7,413.68 |  |  |  |

# Purchasing Plan 2023-2024

| Approximate Purchasing Plan                   |                        |  |  |
|---|------------------------|--|--|
| Purpose                                       | Amount                 |  |  |
| Books representative of Latinx population     | \$4,000                |  |  |
| Higher Lexile Books                           | \$2,000                |  |  |
| Books based on Student interests and requests | \$1,000                |  |  |
| Books to update nonfiction science/technology | \$300                  |  |  |
| Library supplies and incentives               | TBD from<br>Fundraiser |  |  |
| TOTAL   | \$7,300                |  |  |

# **Year-to-Year Collection Change**

The information below represents the year-to-year change within the library media center collection from the 2022-23 to 2023-24 school year. The 2022-23 data is based on a collection analysis from June 2022, while the 2023-24 is based on a collection analysis from July 2023.

#### Data Reflection

- Moved from sharing a building with Horizon High School for two years to our own brand new building this school year
- Due to new collection development funds, we were able to expand exponentially on our collection, adding 5,467 brand new books to our library
- No books had to be weeded due to having a small collection prior to the move and being within the correct age.

| 2022-23 Purchased and Weeded Materials  |   |    |  |         |  |
|---|---|----|--|---------|--|
| Materials<br>Added to the<br>Collection | 5,467   |    | Materials<br>Weeded from<br>the Collection | 0       |  |
| Ca                                      | tegory  | 20 | 022-23                                     | 2023-24 |  |
|   | Items in the<br>Collection                    |    | 2901                                       | 8368    |  |
|   | Items per<br>Student                          |    | 4  | 11      |  |
| C                                       | Average Age of<br>Collection                  |    | 2018                                       | 2019    |  |
|   | Representative<br>Titles in the<br>Collection |    | 46%  | 42%     |  |