AHA Teacher Librarian Wins NMLF Grant Towards the Purchase of Electronic Book Readers

Teacher Librarian Cristin Haake recently won a grant from the New Mexico Library Foundation to be used toward the funding of electronic book readers to be circulated by the AHA Library.

The AHA Library maintains a collection of 1,100 ebooks for student use. Currently, the electronic books are not circulating due to a lack of student-owned electronic devices at our school. The grant will help eliminate the digital divide in our AHA student population by providing electronic readers to students for check-out, along with the ebooks they select.

Ms. Haake, upon the recommendation of our electronic book vendor, requested that the grant monies be used towards the purchase of iPod Touch devices. These devices will give the AHA student population the ability to read for recreational and academic purposes. Four iPod Touch devices have been acquired and will soon be available for checkout to Atrisco Heritage Academy students.

Library Luncheon Trainings will be held in the month of April to introduce students, staff, and faculty to the rich electronic book collection of the AHA Library, as well as to offer guidance in downloading and using the electronic books on e-reader devices.

The iPod Touch devices purchased through the grant will help to solidify the educational opportunity for our students to master new technology for future use in college.
The Atrisco Heritage Academy Library is available for your students’ information and technology needs. Reminder: All students need either the formal hall pass (APS issued) or the vest to visit the AHA Library during instructional time. Students must have their ID’s to enter the AHA Library, as well. We want to treat all students fairly and to help all students use the library services to wrap up their Spring semesters successfully.

World History teachers Colin Priebe and Paul Uebelhoer visited the AHA Library to help strengthen their students’ technological skills in the classroom and the library learning environment. Students created email accounts, visited and utilized the AHA Library’s database World History in Context, emailed documents from the database to their new email accounts, created Works Cited pages in Word, attached those Works Cited documents and emailed them to themselves, learned how to download Google Chrome to their student profiles, and finally created Smore flyers to record their learning upon completion of the AHA Library Technology Bootcamp.

These basic technical skills are critical in assuring the success of all AHA students. Feel free to contact AHA Library staff to bring your students in for a quick Technology Bootcamp!

Screencasting is the act of recording what is on the computer screen, along with narration for future presentation. Students “capture” a digital video and audio recording of what is happening on their computers and their explanation to share with their teachers and fellow students. Screencasting is appealing to educators working with the Common Core State Standards because it is student-active work. Students may add sound to the traditional PowerPoint or instructional presentation. Students may then share these presentations for others to view literally across the world.

Would you like to integrate this technology and educational strategy into your assignments? Please call us to reserve a time.

Discover the Professional Collection

By Nicole Kehoe

New! Notching Up: the Nurtured Heart Approach workbook set. When negative behavior elicits more attention and energy than positive behavior, this trap fails to build students up or motivate them. The Nurtured Heart Approach emphasizes leveraging the value of positive attention to build up positive behavior. To get this to work with the most difficult students is to be on the lookout for opportunities to build self-esteem and positive feelings with positive feedback. We thank AHA School Counselor Brandon Boiser for this donation.

Pick the Academy Award Winners in your AHA Library!

Students, Teachers, and Staff:

Pick your Academy Award winners in the AHA Library! Ballots with the most correct number of accurate picks will be entered into a drawing for a $10 Barnes and Noble gift card! Friday, February 28 is the last day to submit your ballot.

Headsets with Microphones!

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AHA Faculty and Staff - Stop by the AHA Library to Talk About Using New Technology Tools in Your Classroom or Office!

AHA Library Passes

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