FAQ'S: FINDING BOOKS AT THE DMS MEDIA CENTER:

eBooks and AUDIOBOOKS ARE HERE!

From the homepage of the MS Media Center website, go to the FIND A BOOK page, and click on MackinVIA. You will be easily be able to sign in through your Delsea Gmail account!

Look to the left to search for all types of materials, eBooks only, audiobooks only, or databases (for additional reading or research for assignments). Additional information will eventually be available on this left side.

Depending on where the book is from (MackinVIA or FOLLET Destiny Discover), you can read/listen to the book offline by downloading the **free MackinVIA app** or the **free Destiny Discover app** on your device.

If you want to follow along in a print version of the book as you listen to the audiobook, check out the corresponding library book in the media center. Use Destiny to find the call number for its location on the library shelf or see if the high school has it. If not, put in a JerseyCAT request or see Mrs. Papiano if you need help or have questions.

BOOK BLASTS:

How do I submit a Book Blast? Make a book recommendation to your classmates by submitting a Book Blast! Go onto the MS Media Center website, click on the BOOK BLAST! page, then click on the SUBMIT A BOOK BLAST! button. Fill out the form thoughtfully and check punctuation, capital letters, mechanics, and spelling. Click on the SUBMIT button at the bottom of the form. To read Book Blasts your classmates have submitted, select the genre you would like to view. Enjoy!

BOOK SELECTION WEBSITES:

Check out the FIND A BOOK page on the MS Media Center website for handy websites to help you choose your next book. Don't forget about Novelist too!

NOVELIST:

What is NoveList, and how does it help me in choosing books? NoveList is a database that gives advice and guidance when making book selections. Go to the FIND A BOOK page of the MS MC website. When accessing NoveList from home, use the username **dmsls** and password **crusaders** when a login in required. NoveList allows you to narrow your book searches, find "Read-Alikes", and search Destiny to see if that title is in our media center. For instance, you can search by favorite author, title, series, genre, etc. on the left side of the screen. In addition, if you have read a book that you like, you can find "Read-Alikes" by first searching for that title, the clicking on the title's link, and then viewing additional books that appeal to you! Lastly, you can also find out if a title is in our MC by clicking on the pink book icon that says:

Check the Delsea Middle School Library Catalog.

CURRENT EVENT WEBSITES:

Go to the MS MC web page and click on the link that says CURRENT EVENT RESOURCES. There are OOOOOODLES of websites there, and if you have any other suggestions for current event websites, let us know!

FRANKLIN TWP. LIBRARY:

Do I need a library card to access the FTL website? Click on this link on the MS Media Center website to search for books (bottom of FIND A BOOK page). Click on Catalog Search on the left side and search by keyword, title, author, etc. See Mrs. Papiano for paperwork and directions for obtaining a library card FREE of charge.

ACCELERATED READER:

How do I log in? Sign out of your laptop. Go to APPS and click on the STAR/AR Kiosk.

Typical login: Username is first letter of first name, underscore, first 8 letters of last name and Password is your Delsea lunch #. Eg: m_masterso 12345

How do I take an AR quiz? Login and click on the orange square that says Accelerated Reader. Type in the title of the book. Note that the covers sometimes change, so make sure to <u>match</u> the title & author of your book to the results.
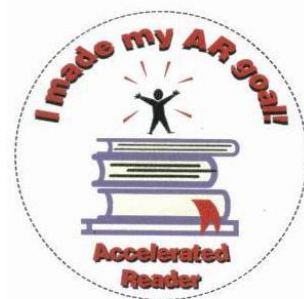
When can I take an AR quiz? AR quizzes can be taken in the morning during homeroom in ROOM C-9. Students are also able to take AR quizzes during ELA with teacher's permission. A password is needed by a teacher for a quiz to be taken.

How do I check my progress and my goals? Click on the orange Accelerated Reader square and then click PROGRESS in the upper right part of the screen between READING and BOOKSHELF. BOOKSHELF will give you a visual of your progress on each book you have taken a quiz on.

How do I find out how many points a book is worth? This can be done two different ways. One way is by looking up your book in AR BookFinder which can be accessed from the ACCELERATED READER page of the MS MC website or by using www.arbookfind.com. If the title shows up, there is a quiz and the book level will be stated as well as the amount of points it is worth. The second way is to look up your book on Destiny from the Media Center website. The points and level are listed underneath the title.

Note: AR BookFinder is a database that includes all of the quizzes available from Renaissance Learning. Destiny includes all books in our MC and indicates the titles that have a quiz available.

How do I know what color dot matches the book level of a particular title? Refer to the color chart in the MS Media Center or the chart posted on the ACCELERATED READER page of the MS MC website.

DESTINY SEARCHES:

How do I search for a book by points and by book level?

Go to the Delsea district homepage. Then click on STUDENTS, click on the MS MEDIA CENTER. Click on LIBRARY CATALOG button and then click on the CATALOG tab near the tree icon in the top left corner of the page. The way to search for books by points within a certain range of book levels is to:

1. Scroll down to the bottom of the Destiny page where it says **READING PROGRAMS**.
2. Use the dropdown menu to select Accelerated Reader (instead of Unlimited).
3. Notice 4 boxes appear under READING PROGRAMS. Type in your AR Level (Ex: 5.0 - 7.8) and then type in your Point Value range (Ex: 10.0 - 13.0). <u>Note how the numbers need decimal points and place value</u>.
4. You can type in a keyword at the top of the page. Then click SEARCH.
5. Organize your list by clicking on **SORT BY: CALL NUMBER**.
6. Then click **SHOW ALL** on the top right of the page to make one long list of books.
7. If you need to change your keyword or AR parameters, click on **REFINE SEARCH** link at the top of the list.

JERSEYCAT:

What is JerseyCAT and how do I access it? JerseyCAT is New Jersey's statewide Catalog and Interlibrary Loan System. The database is accessed through the internet and contains information on items held in participating libraries throughout the state. You can access JerseyCAT from home or school by clicking on the JerseyCAT link found on the FIND A BOOK page of the MS MC website.

<u>Directions</u>:

1) Conduct a title, author, or keyword search in the Quick Search box.
2) When you find your item, click on the cover or the word 'Book' under the image.
3) Click on the 'Request This Item' button. A form will appear.
4) Scroll down and fill in the information **EXCEPT** "Need by date" and address field.
5) Then press the **Submit button** so that your request goes through the system.

When you submit a request online, your book will be sent from a participating library directly to MS through the state-wide interlibrary loan delivery service. JerseyCAT is provided free of charge, and it is funded by the NJ State Library, the Library Services & Technology Act (LSTA), and the regional library cooperative.