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Library Media Updates

<p>Vision for Excellent Instruction</p> <p>Brevard Public Schools provides equitable learning experiences for all students, so that all students are prepared for success after graduation.</p>
<p>How can you connect resources with the curriculum to actively engage students in learning and support the classroom?</p>

This year was “The Year of the Squirrel”. We mastered Planning Ahead, Staying Active, Looking Both Ways When We Crossed The “Road”, We went Out On MANY Limbs and we know It’s Okay To Be A Little Nutty.

Important Dates:

May 7th & 9th- Interactive 40-Minute Adobe Sessions

May 8th- End of the Year BAME Party

May 25th- Memorial Day, Holiday for All

May 28th- Last Day for Students

May 29th- Last Day for Teachers ENJOY Your Summer

August 6th- LMS PrePlanning at Cocoa HS

Ode to Our School Librarians

(With Giggles and Gratitude)

Oh keeper of Dewey, both decimal and wise,
You’ve mastered the chaos of book-loving spies.
From kindergartners chewing on board books for fun,
To teens who ask, “Where’s that book... you know, the one?”

You shelve with precision, you catalog dreams,
You battle dust bunnies and paper-cut screams.
You’ve dodged overdue slips like a literary ninja,
And hunted lost books like a checkout Avenger.

You’ve led the great quest for *Where’s Waldo* again,
And mediated fights over *Dog Man* with zen.
You taught that quiet is not always required,
As long as the readers are wholly inspired.

You’ve fixed jammed printers, survived tech despair,
Unjammed staplers with nothing but flair.
You’ve hosted book fairs with flair and finesse,
(While smiling through chaos and caffeine distress.)

Here's to the laughter, the shushes, the finds—
You've shelved your books and expanded their minds.
So raise up your mugs full of lukewarm caffeine—
Dear Librarian, you're the true Reading Queens and Kings!

FAME-FAME invites you to submit a session proposal for **FAME's 52nd Annual Conference**, taking place **October 29–31, 2025, in Orlando, Florida**. This premier event brings together school library media specialists from across the state and beyond to exchange ideas, inspire innovation, and build the future of our profession, together.

Submission Types:

- **Concurrent Sessions** – 50-minute formal presentations
- **Poster Sessions** – Quick, casual presentations in the Vendor Hall
- **Learning Labs** – 30–45 minute tech-focused, informal sessions

Ready to present? Click [Submit Now](#) below to submit your proposal.

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**BPS will not host a summer reading Challenge.**

[Summer Reading](#)- click [here](#) for a few fun suggestions

**Research** from the *National Summer Learning Association* shows that students can lose up to **two months of reading skills** over the summer if they don't engage in educational activities.

These losses are cumulative—by 5th grade, children who don't read in the summer can be **2.5 years behind** their peers in reading levels.

A study by *Alexander, Entwisle, and Olson (2007)* found that **access to books and summer reading** accounted for most of the reading achievement gap between low- and high-income students.

According to the *Scholastic Kids & Family Reading Report*, 89% of kids say their favorite books are the ones they picked out themselves.

Even casual summer reading helps maintain and expand vocabulary and comprehension. A 20-minute daily reading habit exposes students to about **1.8 million words per year**.

**The Takeaway:** Summer reading keeps skills sharp, boosts confidence, and sets students up for success in the next school year. Let's keep those pages turning!

**BPS Adobe Training- see email from Gabrielle Bollaert for more information!**

 [Join us for the Create & Appreciate Student Live Stream](#)

Happening on Wednesday, May 7th and Friday, May 9th, these interactive 40-minute sessions are a great opportunity for students to get creative while building valuable design skills using Adobe Express.

#### **What to Expect**

In this student-focused session, learners will design a self-portrait of someone they appreciate. Our Adobe Express Evangelists will guide them step-by-step through the process using a fun, easy-to-use template. No design experience needed!

#### **Sweet Bonus!**

The school with the most student participation will win an Adobe-sponsored ice cream truck visit, serving frozen treats to every students

#### **Session Dates & Times EST:**

**Wednesday, May 7th and Friday, May 9th**

10:00–10:40 AM

12:00–12:40 PM

2:00–2:40 PM

[\*\*CLICK HERE to register your class by Friday, May 2nd\*\*](#)

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### **Beanstack News**

Please let Trish and me know how many brag tags you need for the 2nd grade April Superintendent Reading Challenge. You can click [here](#) to input your school name and the number of brag tags needed. As we receive your numbers, we will courier the brag tags to you. The certificate will be emailed to y'all. The Winning School will be announced SOON 😊

**Beanstack Yearly BPS Update- April 2025**

**5,571,492 Minutes Read & Logged**

**62.55% increase in student participation from last year**

What's New in Beanstack? Student facing district leaderboard now includes Participation rate and AI, Benny who book talks with the students. Benny is an add on, about \$160.00 per school. Benny is for 4th graders and up.

## Reading Culture Awardees 24-25

### 🔥 Igniters 25%

- Surfside Elementary
- Freedom 7 Elementary
- Satellite High School
- South Lake Elementary
- Roosevelt Elementary
- Atlantis Elementary

### 🗺️ Pathfinders 50%

- Andersen Elementary
- Apollo Elementary
- Viera Elementary
- Longleaf Elementary
- Westside Elementary
- Croton Elementary
- Harbor City Elementary
- Discovery Elementary



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### 🏆 Trailblazers 75%

- Robert L. Stevenson Elementary
- Indialantic Elementary
- McNair Magnet Middle School
- Fairglen Elementary
- West Melbourne School of Science ES
- Holland Elementary
- Pinewood Elementary
- Audubon Elementary
- Enterprise Elementary
- Cape View Elementary
- Cambridge Elementary

### 🏆 Trailblazers 75%

- John F. Turner Elementary
- Coquina Elementary
- Mims Elementary
- Imperial Estates Elementary
- Gemini Elementary
- Sea Park Elementary
- Columbia Elementary
- Ralph Williams Elementary
- Quest Elementary
- Suntree Elementary



