



Newman Library Learning Center

September 2021

Welcome to the 2021-2022 School Year!

- This year, the library class initiative is “We L.O.V.E. Books!” The L.O.V.E. acronym stands for **L**earn, grow, and **O**bserve, **e**Very day to **E**xcel. All our students L.O.V.E. lots of different things, people, and places! We know they can find what they L.O.V.E. in the Library Learning Center, in their classrooms with their amazing teachers, and everywhere they go. We are committed to guiding their learning and growth through reading and more!
- To show and grow our L.O.V.E. of books, we are doing a **40 Book Challenge** this year. We challenge every student to read at least 40 books throughout the school year. Reading can take many different forms (looking at picture books, reading with a friend, YOU reading to your child, etc.) and all these count toward the 40 book challenge - as long as you are L.O.V.E.ing the books you read! Mr. Boynton will help you keep a record of books you read. If you **practice** scheduling **reading for 20 minutes every day at home**, you will be able to read 40 books and grow in your literacy skills.
- Remember, all our library readers have a right to read! This means you and your child are the ultimate decision makers as to what you will read for fun. Searching, returning, and trying something new at the library are all important parts of learning to love reading.

Meet Mr. Boynton



Hello! Hola! Ciao! Malo e leilei Salaam

It is so great to be here at Newman Elementary as the new Library Technology Teacher! I have been working for several years toward understanding and making a school library work for everyone who uses it. I am now receiving an endorsement on my teaching license for K-12 Library Media. For the past 11 years, I have loved teaching middle school science at Matheson Jr. High School. Newman students can plan on doing STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, & Mathematics) learning in the LLC this year as well as reading LOTS of great books!

Some things I L.O.V.E. are my family (my wife and I have 3 children aged 6, 3, and 9 months), dragonflies (can you see the LEGO one in my picture?), listening and playing music (I play the string bass and a bit of banjo), and reading! Please email me at thomas.boynton@slcschools.org or call the school (801-578-8537 x1270) and I will do my best to help with your needs. I also hope to get the LLC website section of the Newman Elementary website updated soon. CANVAS is another great way to connect!



Cool Resource To Use

- SORA! Go to <https://soraapp.com/library/saltlakeut> or download the Sora app from your app store. Make sure to use Salt Lake City School District (You can also connect to The Salt Lake City Library System). Browse and borrow LOTS of books for reading at home or on the go on your smartphone or tablet!



Book Check-out Policies

- We will start checking out books on Tuesday, September 7th. Each grade level will be allowed to check out books with the following guidelines. These guidelines will be updated and increased over the next months as we practice caring for books.
 - Kindergarten: one book during library time to be kept in classrooms
 - 1st: one book during library time to be kept in classrooms
 - 2nd: one book during library time allowed to take home
 - 3rd: two books during library time allowed to take home
 - 4th-6th: two or three books allowed to take home
- When your student takes a library book home, please remember it has been checked out to their student account and the responsibility to take care of the book and return it becomes the student's AND their family's. We will not be charging late fees and can work together to manage lost or damaged books. But the BEST way to have a great library is for EVERYONE to do their part.
 - When the book is at home, keep it in the student's backpack or another safe place so it doesn't get lost or damaged!
 - Remember to bring your book back to the LLC each week!
 - Keep food, water, pets, and anything else destructive away from books!
 - If you don't like the book you checked out, return it and choose a different one!



Library Class Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3rd Grade	Kindergarten 1st Grade	2nd Grade	5th Grade	4th Grade 6th Grade