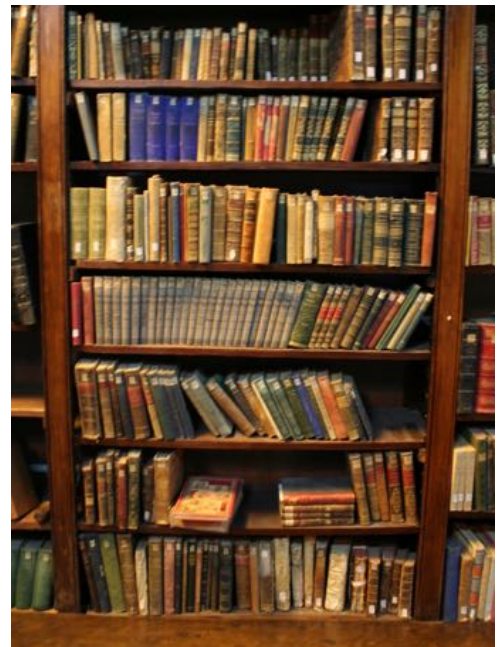


*“Whenever you read a good book,
somewhere in the world a door
opens to allow in more light.”
~ Vera Nazarian*

*“To learn to read is to light a fire;
every syllable that is spelled out is a
spark.”
~ Victor Hugo*

Big Idea: Language & literature help us find meaning & joy.
Big Idea: Make connections with our own & others’ experiences
through literature.

Essential Questions:
1) What is a story?
2) What is theme?
3) What is dystopia?
4) How does dystopian literature connect to real life?



KEY WORDS	
Story	Literature circles
Setting	Word Wizard
Plot	Discussion Director
Character	Story Summarizer
Metaphor	Literary Luminary
Theme	Community Connector
Dystopia	

What’s the biggest thing to get from this unit...

- Literature, like poetry, opens so many “doors”
- Literature is written with purpose and is powerful
- **Literature...** helps us understand people tells a message

tells stories *shares emotions*
transports us to another world *makes us wonder*

D	R	M	KNOW
			I can define and identify: <i>plot, setting, character, theme</i>
			I can explain what <i>dystopia</i> and <i>utopia</i> are
			I can list and describe the literature circle roles and how they are strategies to help me better understand what I am reading
D	R	M	DO
			I can identify and use reading strategies before, during and after reading to help me better understand literature
			I can make connections and respond thoughtfully to literature to better understand literature, myself and others
			I can analyze a novel for its theme and the impact of literary elements used
			I can effectively participate in literary discussions by listening purposefully and sharing my ideas
			I can support my ideas with evidence from the novel



“The reading of all good books is like a conversation with the finest minds of past centuries.”
 ~ Rene Descartes

“Reading without reflecting is like eating without digesting.”
 ~ Edmund Burk