Librarian's Report May 2020

The Library closed its doors to the public on Monday, March 16. While we were closed to the public we worked on maintaining the collection. We successfully weeded the entire adult fiction section, and made good headway into the non-fiction collection. We utilized our five (5) sewing machines to make masks for staff and patrons. We have made ____ masks since we began. At the request of patrons we have also started making kid sized masks to hand out the public.

On Monday, April 20, we began offering curbside pick-up of materials to patrons. This has been wildly successful. So far we have checked out _____ of books and other materials.

Beginning, Monday May 18, we will begin offering computer lab access by appointment for 45 minute sessions.

While we cannot have in-person programs, this has not stopped out wonderful librarians from interacting with our patrons. Miss Katherine has been doing a virtual story time every morning. At the request of parents she has made them available, not only on Facebook, but also on Youtube to make them more easily accessible to patrons. The kids are loving that they still get to see Miss Katherine!

Mikaela has been doing a virtual art journal using our newest resource creative bug. She has also kept patrons busy with Kahoot trivia games and one virtual escape room. These have all been very successful.

Katherine, Katie, and Mikaela are all trying to figure out what Summer Reading Program is going to look like this year. Katherine has either cancelled or postponed all of the presenters of our Special Wednesday Programs. She, along with Katie, are figuring out how to do a virtual sign-up for reading logs. Our Summer Reading Program will not be program heavy, but it will concentrate on the most important part, READING.

Katie is working on figuring out how to virtually meet with her Anime and book club kids, and make the reading program easy and fun this summer.

Mikaela has done a couple of book clubs through Go-To-Meeting and Zoom. I'm going to reach out to fiction book club and see if this is something they are interested in for June, since we can now put books on hold for them through curbside pick-up. Mikaela has also been in contact with her presenters to figure out if they would be open to doing some sort of virtual presentation of their class/presentation.