



FEBRUARY 2025



**LIBRARY HOURS:**

**MONDAY-THURSDAY 7:00 - 5:30 & FRIDAY 7:00 - 4:30**

**STUDENTS MUST HAVE A PASS WHEN VISITING THE LIBRARY DURING CLASS.  
THANK YOU FOR HELPING US KEEP TRACK OF WHO'S VISITING THE LIBRARY!**

**February Lessons and Activities**

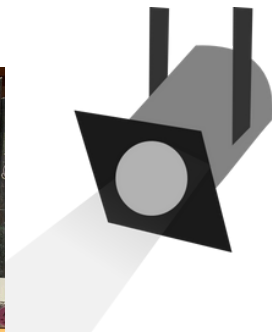
**THANK YOU to all who requested lessons and support. *We can help you with a future lesson, activity, or unit. E-mail us or stop by the library!***

**Podcasts in the Classroom**

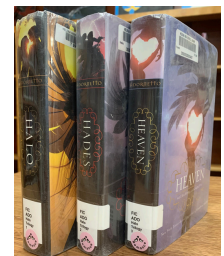


Podcasts are a popular way to assess your students' knowledge of a topic and allow them to flex their organizational skills. Randy Hussey has had great success with this assessment tool - ask him his tricks. Another place to learn how to use this tool is in your HHS library. We have a variety of microphones and iPads to help with the process and we are familiar with podcast rubrics that simplify your grading process. An excellent example is Mrs. Humphrey's Business Professionals of America students, Fisher Wheatley, Peter Gill, & Trinity Love, who are creating a podcast for State Competition. Here is a link to the podcast that began their journey - [HHS Bengal Cat Chat](#).

**In the Spotlight: Books in Series!**



**Reading books in a series can be a highly immersive and engaging experience which allows readers to delve deeper into the characters and worlds created by the author. There is nothing better than finishing up a great book and being able to immediately reach for the next one. One of the goals in the library this year was to acquire books to complete numerous series offered to our patrons. We have series available ranging anywhere from 2 books to 24 books in popular genres such as Romance, Mystery, and Horror just to name a few.**





## February Events: Blind Date with a Book!

The Student Library Club's annual **Blind Date with a Book** event had readers taking a chance on love—book love, that is! From February 10-28, adventurous bookworms selected a mysteriously wrapped book, guided only by a tantalizing one-sentence description on the wrapper. No judging by the cover here! To sweeten the deal, every checkout came with a treat—because what's better than a good book and yummy candy? For those who took the leap and submitted a book review, a Grand Prize drawing is set for March 3.

The Library Club isn't just about books—it's about building community, making new friends, and hosting fun events. Earlier this school year, they threw a wildly popular Cookie Decorating Event, proving that creativity and sugar go hand in hand. If you know creative students who love planning events, meeting new people, and just having fun, tell them to check out Library Club! **Meetings are held at lunch on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month in the library.** Please encourage students to join the fun!



## Coming in March: Author C.J. Box Live at the Civic Center!

The Lewis & Clark Library and Lewis & Clark Library Foundation are excited to bring #1 New York Times bestselling author C.J. Box to the Helena Civic Center on **Monday, March 31 at 7:00 p.m.** C.J. Box has written over 30 books, including the popular Joe Pickett novels, two other series, three stand-alone novels, and a story collection. Published in February of 2024, *Three-Inch Teeth*, the 24th Joe Pickett novel debuted at #2 on the New York Times Bestseller list and #1 on the Apple Ebooks Bestseller list. His riveting new novel, *Battle Mountain*, comes out February 25, 2025. His awards include the Edgar, Anthony, Macavity, Gumshoe, and two Barry awards, as well as the French Prix Calibre .38, the Western Heritage Award for Literature, and two Spur Awards. In 2021 he won the Falcon Award. There will be a book signing after the presentation.



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