



Communications and Community Relations

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LIBRARY SERVICES

Denton ISD named a Common Sense Certified District for Digital Citizenship

Common Sense Education recently named the Denton Independent School District as a Common Sense Certified District: Digital Citizenship. Denton ISD was one of only five school districts in the state, and the only one in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, to achieve this recognition.

The district earned this status by having 84 percent of its schools meet the Common Sense Certified School criteria for the 2015-16 school year. School districts are only required to have 50 percent of their campuses meet this requirement.

To be classified as a Common Sense Certified School, each campus had to teach digital safety lessons to students on two different grade levels. The lessons covered cyberbullying, cybersecurity (identity and internet safety) and other online topics including: information literacy, creative credit and copyright infringement, relationships and online communication.

Librarians at each of our three comprehensive high schools, seven middle schools and 22 elementary schools taught these courses and plan on adding a grade level each year until every grade level on their campus is met. There will be an additional focus on digital safety and privacy at the grade levels and classrooms that received Chromebooks this year.

Braswell High School and Bell Elementary, the districts two newest schools, will join the Gonzalez and Windle Schools for Young Children in taking part in the program.

Donna Kearley is the coordinator of library services for Denton ISD. The librarians/media specialists at the certified schools include:

Elementary

Adkins – Melissa O’Rear
Blanton – Kim Krutka
Borman – Elain Downey
Cross Oaks – Sarah Bynane
Evers Park – Michelle Lynn
Ginnings – Amy Fuller
Hawk – Kristin Thornton
Hodge – Kevin Brown
Houston – Michelle McClanahan
Lee – Kellie Vaughn
McNair – Michelle Heidrich
Nelson – Kelly Korenek
Paloma Creek – Amanda Qualls
Pecan Creek – Charlotte Place



INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Providence – Stephanie Wiggins

E.P. Rayzor – Melissa Leonard

Newton Rayzor – Kelly Born

Rivera – Susan Garvin

W.S. Ryan – Breanna Peden

Savannah – Lara Isbell

Stephens – Eydie Schneider

Wilson – Carol Richmond

Middle

Calhoun – Sandy Noles

Crownover – Bonnie McCormick

Harpool – Sherry Brandt

McMath – Anna Madrow

Myers – Ivey Carey

Navo – Jade McClure

Strickland – Rhonda Thomas

High Schools

Denton – Aaron Graves and Amy Romero

Guyer – Margarete Neale and Kristin Davis

Ryan – Colleen Graves and Jaci Smalley