

Library/Media 5th Grade Units of Study

Essential Questions:

Inquire: How do I strategically explore the world for answers to questions?

Include: How does reading help us understand diverse perspectives?

Collaborate: How can I work with others to achieve common goals?

Curate: How do I understand, evaluate, and use diverse forms of media?

Explore: How do I connect information to create new learning?

Unit	Goals
Information Navigation	Upon completing this unit, students will navigate the library resources and understand how to use the library space and materials in an appropriate manner. Students will access and effectively use OPAC to locate and select appropriate library resources that meet their personal and academic needs.
Digital Citizenship	In this unit, students learn to balance their use of digital media in their daily lives. Students maintain privacy and security while building appropriate relationships and communicating appropriately with others in online communities. Students recognize signs of cyberbullying and develop coping skills for dealing with cyberbullies. Students evaluate web resources to determine their credibility and usefulness.
Academic Research	As a result of this unit, students will develop the ability to independently apply the research process. Throughout the unit, students employ various components of research strategies when seeking answers to questions. Student work may be shared on any level from peers, school, or a more global community.
Make & Create	Make & Create lessons focus on problem-solving techniques applicable to solving real and meaningful problems. A portion of this unit will cover the integration of Code.org lessons. Wherever possible, lessons emphasize student autonomy and creative freedom. In the unit, students work collaboratively to solve problems. They focus on persevering through multiple attempts at a solution, as they investigate new ideas and work to refine their products.