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WILLIAM DANDY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Innovative Learning Commons/Media Center
Collection Development Plan

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8:40AM – 4:10PM

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Annual Budget **Current Year**

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Library Bill of Rights

Library Reading Materials Opt-Out Form 2024/2025 (All Grades)

Objection to Library/Specific Materials Form

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Executive Summary

District Strategic Plan 2025

Broward County Public Schools is the sixth-largest school district in the United States and the second-largest in Florida. The district serves more than 256,021 students at 231 schools and is one of the largest employers in South Florida, with 30,529 team members.

Vision: Educating today's students to succeed in tomorrow's world.

Mission: Educating all students to reach their highest potential.

Core Values: Student Focus, Teaching Excellence, Accountability, Respect, Safety

School Mission Statement

Vision: To provide high-quality education with an emphasis on the whole child.

Mission: To prepare children to be successful in a global and increasingly competitive environment by offering rigorous and relevant curriculum for all.

Core Values: To be responsible, to be respectful to be tolerant.

School Community

William Dandy Middle School serves 649 students enrolled in grades 6, 7, and 8th grades.

Student Enrollment	Federal Ethnicity (Hispanic)	Federal Ethnicity (Non-Hispanic)
649	50/ 7.1%	599/ 93%
Student Enrollment	Hispanic	Non-Hispanic

Federal Race Category

46/ 7.1%	595/ 91.7	0	2/ .03%	2/ .03%	4/ .6%
White	Black	Native	Asian	Pacific	Multicultural

The administration includes Principal Nichelle Williams and Assistant Principal John Battle, Intern Principal, Ayanna Whitworth-Barner, Intern Principal, and Ut'a Tomlinson, Assistant Principal. William Dandy is proud to offer the many unique programs which provide students

with opportunities. Recognized as a 2016 and 2022 National Magnet School of Excellence for our PreMedical Magnet Program, our Magnet Programs as well as our success as a Nationally recognized Urban School of Distinction, due to our academic performance, makes William Dandy one of the BEST. Students in our Magnet Programs are exposed to professionals and an educational program that allows for exposure to rigorous and relevant content. We also feature career days that allow students to experience practicing professionals. William Dandy is the only middle school Pre-Medical Magnet program in Broward County, and we are one of two Pre-Law Magnet Programs for Middle School students. Our Magnet Programs offer students a unique blend of experiential learning to compliment a course of study in the medical field and law. William Dandy currently offers 11 high school level courses as well as a myriad of co-curricular organizations that emphasize the importance of academic excellence, such as Debate, Future Educators of America (FEA), National Junior Honor Society (NJHS), Student Government Association (SGA) and Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA). In addition to increasing our high school level courses, we have implemented programs to provide students opportunities for Career, Technical, Adult and Community Education (CTACE), and students have earned Industry Credentialing in Microsoft Word, Office and PowerPoint. We have also implemented the Digital Tools program where students are on a path to earning certification in Multimedia Essentials, Database Essentials, Web Design Essentials and Gaming. In previous years our students have also participated in the Coding initiative and have participated in SECME and Robotics competitions to name a few through the Crockett Foundation.

Purpose of Collection Development Policy

A school library collection development plan serves as a roadmap to guide library materials' selection, acquisition, and maintenance. It ensures the collection aligns with Florida statutes, the District's Strategic Plan Goals and Guardrails, the school's curriculum, and student needs by providing a framework for choosing resources that best support student learning across different subjects and interests while also addressing diversity and appropriate content levels.

A Collection Development Plan Serves Several Important Purposes:

Statutory Compliance: A Collection Development Plan establishes the framework for adhering to the mandatory state statute, requiring each district school board to adopt procedures for developing library media center collections and to post these procedures on each school's website.

District Alignment: Aligns with Broward County Public Schools 2022-2027 Strategic Plan Goals and Guardrails.

Supporting curriculum: The plan should directly connect library materials to the school's curriculum, ensuring students access relevant study resources.

Student needs assessment: It considers students' diverse needs, including reading levels, interests, and learning styles, to select materials that cater to a wide range of abilities.

Selection criteria: The plan outlines clear criteria for choosing materials, such as quality, accuracy, relevance, and alignment with school values.

Budget management: It helps allocate library funds effectively by prioritizing purchase needs based on identified gaps in the collection.

Collection maintenance: The plan includes procedures for discarding outdated or damaged materials and replacing them with current resources.

Community engagement: It involves collaboration with students, teachers, administrators, and parents to gather input on collection needs.

A thorough analysis of the current media center collection at William Dandy indicates that the average age of the collection is 13 and the number of books per student is 10. The [American Library Association](#) has established a criteria for a highly effective media center that includes a ratio of 10 books available per student in the collection.

Currently, William Dandy Middle School does not meet the recommended standards for the number of books per student.

Library Program

The library program at William Dandy Middle School serves as an essential instructional and enrichment hub for students, teachers, and families. Operating on a block schedule with four instructional periods per day, the media center is open from **8:40 a.m. to 4:10 p.m.**, providing continuous access for research, reading, and academic support. The library program supports school-wide literacy goals and special initiatives, including **Reading Across Broward (RAB)**, through active collection development, reading promotion, and collaboration with teachers and students. The media center is also used as a flexible learning and meeting space for **workshops, professional development, student and parent sessions, systemic reading programs, tutoring, study hall, and instructional presentations**. By maintaining a welcoming environment with current resources, technology, and instructional support, the media center contributes to creating a culture of reading, inquiry, and academic achievement throughout the school community.

School Analysis

The school analysis provides an overview of the school's enrollment, demographics, and special programs.

School Enrollment & Demographics Data

Student Enrollment	Federal Ethnicity (Hispanic)	Federal Ethnicity (Non-Hispanic)
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