Kickemuit Middle School Library Service Policy

Kickemuit Middle School Library serves approximately 730 students in grades six through eight and a staff of 93. As part of the school community, the library creates a welcoming atmosphere which encourages students to utilize the full scope of resources offered. Students are welcome to visit the library before homeroom, throughout the school day (with a pass from their teacher) or after school.

The library has a fixed/flexible schedule. The library media specialist teaches sixth, seventh, and eighth grade classes. These classes focus on information literacy and reading. When the library media specialist is not teaching classes, the library is available for other teachers to use. The library media center has two distinct teaching spaces: an open classroom with projector and screen, and a research space with tables and 10 computers. All have access to the Internet and the library catalog.

The library media specialist also works collaboratively with classroom teachers on research projects for students, either through co-teaching, research instruction, or providing resources. The library provides an extensive video collection and professional literature collection for teachers. In addition, students and staff are instructed in the use of electronic information resources, including RICAT and AskRI databases.

Students may borrow up to three items at a time from the KMS Library. The loan period is four weeks, and may be renewed if necessary. Library items need to be returned on time, and overdue materials will incur fines for each item that is overdue. Students who have overdue items may not borrow additional items until their overdue items have been returned, and students who owe fines may only borrow one item at a time until their fines are paid.