

LIBRARY CARDS **STUDENT** **for** **SUCCESS**

a partnership between Santa Barbara Public Library
and Santa Barbara Unified School District

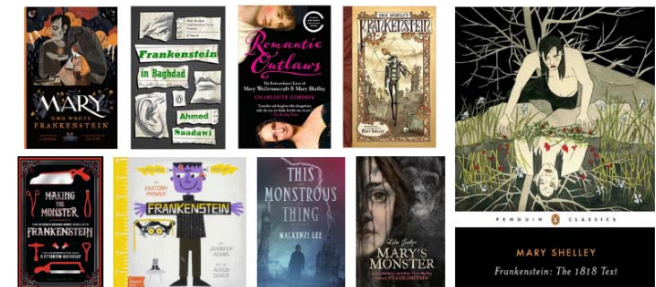
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Santa Barbara Reads

- Distributed 500 books to junior high and high school classrooms
- Coordinate author visits to school
- Offer specialized programs to complement curriculum

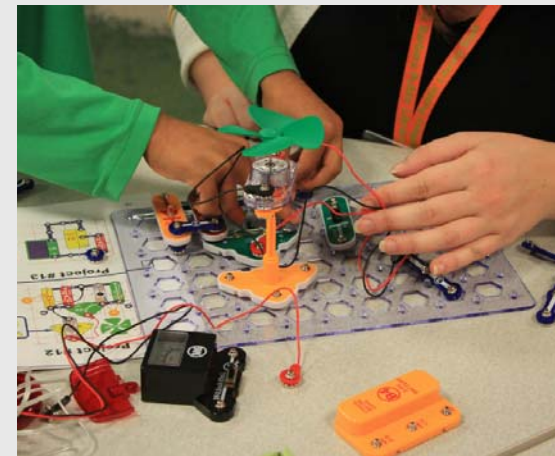


Frankenstein
by Mary Shelley
September 28 - November 1



Visiting Classrooms

- 48 visits to junior high and high school classrooms, reaching 2482 students
- Offer lunchtime makerspace activities to junior high students
- Worked with elementary librarian to coordinate makerspace and tech workshops



After School Support

- Attend Science Nights at local elementary schools and offer activities
- Offer monthly visits to A-OK sites, offering Reading Ambassador classes, and tech and maker workshops
- Homework Help and new OG Readers one-on-one literacy tutoring for struggling readers



Current Library Card Process

- Issued 800 library cards to junior high and high school students (13+)
 - Give instructions for students to enter their information into online form
 - Staff manually create cards and assign barcodes
 - Staff visit classrooms, distribute cards, give overview of how to access resources, use catalog, etc
- For students under the age of 13+, the library distributes paper applications which must be signed by parent/guardian and include ID verification
 - Staff manually create cards and assign barcodes
 - Staff coordinate with teacher to distribute cards



Drawbacks to Current System

- Manual process is time consuming
- Only 5,000 of approximately 15,000 K-12 students currently have library cards
- Coordination of activities is through individual teachers or school librarians, not district-wide, which means access to library resources is unequal



Student Success Library Card Process

- Sign MOU with school district to share information
- Parents opt-in at registration to receive a library card
- School district sends data file with student information
- Library imports to database to automatically issue card with student ID number as library card number
- Library staff visit classrooms and introduce students and teachers to library resources
- Library staff have more time to spend on value added interactions supporting teachers and working with students
- More students will have library cards, making it easier to check out materials to them



Value of Library Resources

