

Westview Library Media Center
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Welcome back to a great new year of "swimming to success" in the library! Be sure to check the library link on our school webpage (westview.adams12.org) for great links to learning - websites for homework help, student research, reading challenges. You can even check Westview's library catalog from home to see if your favorite book is available!

Speaking of the internet, be sure to sign and return the internet permission form that is included in the back-to-school student packet. These need to be signed every year, and students will not be able to use the internet at school without a signed form. Students are taught safe internet usage in the computer lab. We do a lot of research and learning activities on the internet through our district's kid-safe filter, so it's important this form gets return ASAP.

Please be sure to talk with your children about taking good care of the library and classroom books that they bring home. You are responsible for any damages or loss that occurs. Can you guess the most common way for books to be damaged? Liquids! Spills, water puddles, and even leaky juice bottles in the backpack. The second most dangerous threat to books? Dogs (and toddlers!) that love to chew. Torn pages and scribbling in the book are also damaging. Help your child find a safe place at home for their books or keep them in their backpacks so they don't get lost or damaged.

Read to your child every night to help their brain grow! Be a positive role model, and let them catch you reading books and magazines also! Dive into learning!

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