

IRC Newsletter

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Fall Hours Announced

Extended Time to Better Serve Students

Monday	8am-8pm
Tuesday	8am-6pm
Wednesday	9am-8pm
Thursday	8am-6pm
Friday	9am-2pm

We hope that these extended hours will better accommodate your students. This is the first time that we've been open at 8 in the morning and open late 2 evenings a week.

If you wish to hold a class in the IRC, please call and make arrangements. We welcome this additional opportunity to serve.

6 Sets of Basal Readers Available

3 Sets of Houghton Mifflin

2 Sets of Scott Foreman

1 Set of Harcourt Brace

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IRC Funding Frozen

The IRC funding has been frozen until January 1, 2002; however, the IRC Council will strategically plan for the use of this funding when it becomes available.

Committee members are now being chosen for the IRC Council. As soon as members are in place, a meeting will be called to collaboratively plan upcoming events, purchases and services.

Commuters

Remember **audio books** are available. Don't have enough time to read because you're on the road too much. Check out audio books from the IRC.

Digital Economist

The IRC received a donate CD-ROM containing the same Interactive Learning Materials found at www.digitaleconomist.com. PSU may use this content for non-commercial educational purposes, and the disk can be checked out to faculty and students. PSU has also been granted permission to make copies to our networking server.

Math, Handwriting and Spelling Additions

Scott Foreman generously donated **D'Nealian Handwriting** for Grades 4, 5, & 6, **Spelling** for Grades 6, 7, & 8 and **Math** for Grades 1, 2, & 3. Zaner-Bloser also donated a **Handwriting** series.

Edmark Interactive Learning Series

Edmark, winner of 295 awards has generously donated to the IRC. You can create interactive stories fueled by the power of your imagination with **Destination: Rain Forest (K-6th)**. Then, you might want to open the interactive program called **Thinkin' Things: Frippletown (K-3)** and enter this exciting, interactive town. Not enough excitement? **Travel the World with Timmy (Pre-2)** and see Argentina, Japan, Kenya, Russia and France. Then, when you return, you and your students can join **Stanley's Sticker Stories (Pre-2)**.

Grant Monies Supports IRC

A major shortage in the IRC was elementary, computer-based, interactive activities. No more. Thanks to the generous support of grant funding, the following have been purchased:

Time Capsule (Middle School)

The Animal Kingdom: Endangered! (3-5)

Inventions (3-5)

Space Discovery: The Milky Way Galaxy (3-5)

Space Discovery: Our Solar System (1-3)

Our American Heritage: The Civil War (5-8)

Our American Heritage: Lewis & Clark (5-8)

Our American Heritage: African Americans of the 20th Century (5-8)

Our American Heritage: 13 Colonies (4-6)

IRC Active in America's Response to Terrorism

The IRC joined with America in her loss on Sept. 11, 2001, by making patriotic ribbons and by creating a mural that depicts America's unfolding story. The mural may be viewed on the south wall of the basement in Hughes Hall. You are welcome to write your thoughts or attach items, which symbolize your message to America.

Super Duper Resources Arrive

Just when we taught Special Education materials would all have to be purchased, Dr. Scott made a connection, which led to a huge donation of materials. Just to list a few—

Decripto Dinos, the game of vocabulary fun!

Pronoun Party

"Say and Do" Positive Pragmatic Game Boards

Yesterday's Verbs

Holiday & Seasonal Gameboards

Although these are geared for special education students, they have potential to be used in a variety of ways. Stop by and take a look.

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Alyssa Glenn, Student Employee

Alana Stankewsky, Student Employee

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Beth Sukraw, Student Employee

10 Most Wanted List

1. 2 used computers (better than MAC G3's)
2. Leadership Books
3. Materials for kits, like oil spill clean-up, planets, etc.
4. Older microscopes
5. Leads on possible donations
6. Reading, Math Programs for Arthur, Pooh, etc.
7. CD-ROM Programs for elementary, middle school & high students
8. Audio books
9. Older camcorder, which can be checked out to students
10. Candy, flowers & appreciation for IRC staff