

The Critical Current Summer Enrichment 2016

BEFORE WE BEGIN...

GOOGLE CLASSROOM: You must be on your sausdlearns.net google account. Please register in the course. The code is on the whiteboard.

TAKE THE PRE-TEST ON GOOGLE CLASSROOM:

It's five questions and super simple!

CHECK OUT THE COURSE WEBSITE: www.

<u>criticalcurrentSummer.weebly.com</u> - You will be

creating your own blogs!

A FEW MORE THINGS...

SYLLABUS This handout is all about what we will be learning and doing through this summer course.

FIELD TRIPS: Students who have great attendance will be guaranteed a spot! We are going to our field trips dressed in business-casual clothing so that we can look like professionals!

UPDATED CALENDAR!: Breakfast is always served starting at 7:30 am and lunch is from 11:00 - 11:35. You can bring your own snacks if you want to.



What is news and media literacy?



What is news

literacy?

"News literacy is the acquisition of 21stcentury, critical-thinking skills for analyzing and judging the reliability of news and information, differentiating among facts, opinions and assertions in the media we consume, create and distribute. It can be taught most effectively in crosscurricular, inquiry-based formats at all grade levels. It is a necessary component for literacy in contemporary society."

The Digital Age poses four serious information literacy challenges for civil society:

1 The amount of information we are flooded with daily makes it difficult to sort out what's reliable.

2 New technologies to create and share information make it easy to create content that only appears authoritative and then to spread it virally.

3 The conflict between speed and accuracy has been exacerbated by Digital Age demands for delivering information as fast as possible, but accelerating that process increases the chance it will be wrong.

Humans prefer information that supports our beliefs, and the Internet and social media make it much easier for us to select only the information that supports our ideas, reinforcing rather than challenging them.

SOURCE: http://drc.centerfornewsliteracy.org/why-news-literacy-matters

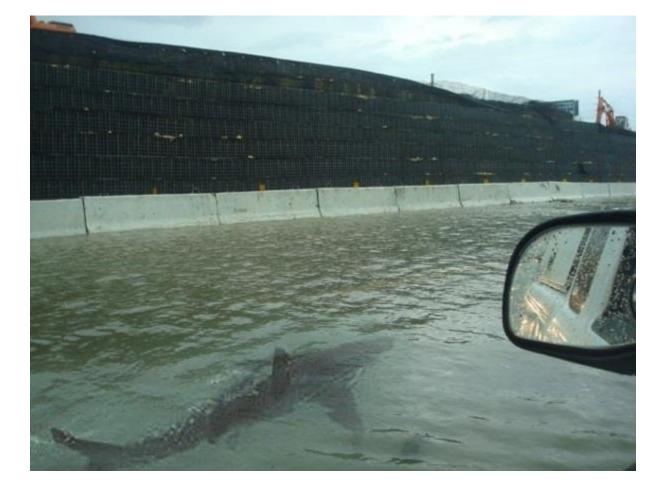
Goncepts we will be learning about...

What are we going to be doing?

- Individual student blogs reflecting on lectures on 8 different topics!
- The Current an online news site created by you!
- Summer Enrichment Showcase
- Field Trips
- Having loads of fun WHILE learning like crazy!

We have 5 weeks aka 80 hours. Let' s get started!





SOURCE: https://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/blogpost/post/hurricane-irene-photo-of-shark-swimming-in-street-is-fake/2011/08/26/gIQABHAvfJ_blog.html



Two residents wade through chest-deep water after finding bread and soda from a local grocery store after Hurricane Katrina came through the area in New Orleans, Louisiana.

(AFP/Getty Images/Chris Graythen)



A young man walks through chest deep flood water after looting a grocery store in New Orleans on Tuesday, Aug. 30, 2005. Flood waters continue to rise in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina did extensive damage when it Apasociated Press

These stories and pictures both appeared in YAHOO! NEWS August 30, 2005

Http://news.yahoo.com/photo/050830/480/ladm10208301530
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JEFFERSON KNEW IT.

"The way to prevent irregular interpositions of the people is to give them full information of their affairs through the channel of the public papers, and to contrive that those papers should penetrate the whole mass of the people. The basis of our governments being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right; and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."

WEEBLY WEBSITE;

Create a website! Go to weebly.com and create your own website. You can create it as a "BLOG"

SEND ME YOUR LINK AND OTHER INFORMATION ON A GOOGLE FORM ON GOOGLE CLASSROOM - CALLED "WEEBLY SITE FORM" - BE SURE TO CLICK "PUBLISH" AND THAT YOUR SITE IS APPROPRIATELY NAMED.

The student mentors will help you with this.

BLOG POST #1 - JUNE 21ST, 2016;

What is news literacy and why does it matter in our lives?

AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH DAY, WE WILL HAVE A CLASSWIDE DISCUSSION ON NEWS OF THE WORLD (LOCAL, NATIONAL, OR INTERNATIONAL). PLEASE BE PREPARED TO SHARE ONE PIECE OF NEWS TOMORROW MORNING!