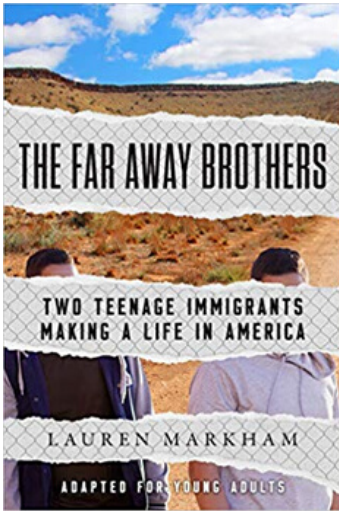




New Arrivals: Top Picks



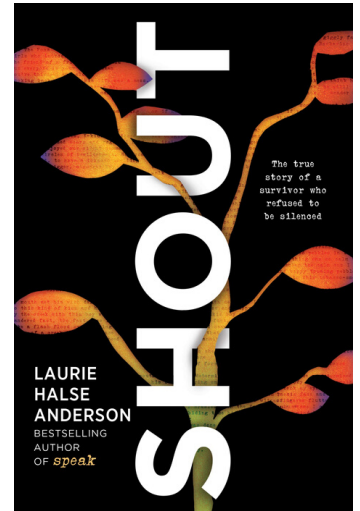
THE FAR AWAY BROTHERS

This true story follows the immigration of identical twin brothers who escape El Salvador's violence to build new lives in California--fighting to survive, to stay, and to belong.



WITH THE FIRE ON HIGH

With her daughter to care for and her abuela to help support, high school senior Emoni Santiago has to make the tough decisions, and do what must be done. The one place she can let her responsibilities go is in the kitchen.



SHOUT

Searing and soul-searching, the author of *Speak* (Laurie Halse Anderson) writes this important memoir as a denouncement of our society's failures and a love letter to all the people with the courage to say #metoo and #timesup.

LIBRARY RENOVATION FINALLY COMPLETE!

by Ms. Smith (Librarian)

The sound of hammers, the groans of book movers, the sore hands from re-shelving, and the anticipation of reopening are over! The duration of the renovation is complete and the library looks and smells like new. The purpose of the renovation was not only to create a more modern space, but to also stay true to Spaulding's traditional values. I wanted to open up the Library, generate more flexible seating, and provide a specific collaborative area...

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Pictured: the Libraries' new circulation desk.

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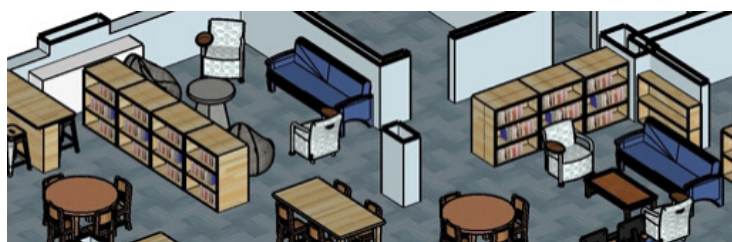
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...for teacher and community member use. It's been a long process from conception to reality and the results have been positive and rewarding for all of us here in the Library. It did indeed take a village to reconstruct the Library; from students, the Library staff, faculty, and Spaulding's amazing custodial staff.

Below in pictures, you will see the various phases and people who helped make this a reality.

Phase I - The Layout: *Fall 2017 to Spring 2019*

Architectural design created with help from Michael Pope at Barre Town School. We had many different designs and they all had to fit into my vision. I think we did a pretty good job!



Phase II - Prepping for the Renovation: *2018 School Year to the Spring of 2019*

Preparing the Library required analyzing/evaluating the collection and making tough choices on what books to keep and what to recycle or re-purpose. Libraries need to balance the influx of new materials with the need to keep titles with high interest and relevant research value. This process took most of the 2018 school year into the fall of 2019.



Phase III - Packing Up the Library: *Spring of 2019*

To say this was a labor-intense process is an understatement. It took student volunteers, the Library staff and our SHS's substitute staff HOURS to sort and fill 130 bright orange bins, remove old technology,

and cover those aspects of the library that couldn't be moved. We still ran out of the bins and had to stack books onto tables in the e-classroom.



Phase IV - The Physical Renovation: *Summer of 2019*

We tore down the old circulation desk, blew a hole in the wall, tore up the old carpet, painted the walls, and put in the new carpet.



Phase V - Putting it all back in: *Beginning of the 2019-2020 School Year*

It took an entire library, custodial, and sub staff to put everything back in order. Starting in late August, we finally were able to open the doors to the library in the second week of September. Who knew that putting away books could be so exhausting? Of course, we had to forget ONE bin which required another round of shifting in the fiction section.



Phase VI - The final results: *Fall 2019 until Now*

The new space is open, bright, and very inviting. We have a beautiful new window to the hallway, booths with tables for students to snack and socialize, tall tables, beanbags, and tall chairs to help with flexible seating as well as new whiteboards and a projector for collaboration. Our beautifully crafted new circulation desk is the centerpiece with an incredible SHS logo that ties it all together. We are all proud of our hard work and the students have really gravitated towards the new space!



Phase VII - The Little Details: *Going Forward*

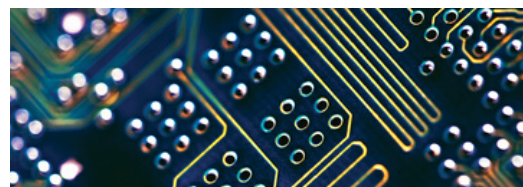
As we move forward, we will continue to reuse and re-purpose books removed from the collection and fundraise for new movable furniture, an up-to-date audio/visual room, and a stage for presentations. Thank you all for your support and encouragement. Come and see us, relax, and enjoy!



LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS

ALTERNATE SUMMER READING PROGRAM

- **Summer Reading Book Group Discussions** took place on September 11th and were a big success!! Thank you once again to everyone who volunteered to lead a discussion group!
- In the event a student picked up a summer reading book but did not do the assignment, OR a student did not ever pick up a book, there is an alternate assignment prepared for them. They should see their English teacher to take care of this, or Mrs. Brennan in Room 216 to sign out an alternate book and receive paperwork.



TECH DECK

The *Library Chromebook Loaner Cart* is up and running! Students who are currently without a Chromebook, or who are experiencing issues with their current one, can now visit the library to check out a temporary loaner for use during the school day. Here are some borrowing guidelines to keep in mind:

1. Students will need to fill out a quick Google form prior to checking one out (see Mrs. Gaboriault at the circulation desk).
2. Loaned Chromebooks are due back no later than 3:15 PM to the library, the same day as checkout.
3. Students are **NOT** allowed to take loaners home overnight, as they are only for use during the school day.
4. We strongly recommend students visit during morning block to sign one out, instead of waiting until they reach a class where one is needed.
5. These will be fully charged each morning - *we will not be loaning chargers.*
6. Loaners are subject to the same *Acceptable Use Policy* as any other laptop or computer throughout the school.



LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS

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NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DAY

- National Voter Registration Day was Tuesday, September 24th 2019.
- The League of Women Voters of Vermont set up shop in the Library during Advisory in order to recruit students who are eligible to register to vote and explain the registration/voting process.
- Students who are going to be 18 years old by November 2nd can register to vote in time for fall 2019 elections and the presidential elections of 2020.
- If someone was unable to register to vote on Tuesday **there is still time!** [CLICK HERE](#) for more information about registering to vote online, or to fill out an application and register by mail.

NEW PROJECTOR IN MEETING AREA

- A brand new projector and surround sound have been recently installed in the meeting area of the Library!
- The meeting area of the Library is the perfect place for:
 - Group Presentations
 - Video-Conferences
 - Viewing movies
 - and much more!
- Sign up to reserve the meeting area down in the Library.



Pictured: the meeting area of the Library

MINDFULNESS CORNER~



Pictured above: our latest bulletin board

"LIFE STARTS ALL OVER AGAIN WHEN IT GETS CRISP IN THE FALL."

— F. SCOTT FITZGERALD

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The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) has just announced the 2019 Teens' Top Ten Titles. Come see us in the Library to check them out!

1. **#MurderTrending** by Gretchen McNeil.
 2. **Wildcard** by Marie Lu.
 3. **The Cruel Prince** by Holly Black.
 4. **Thunderhead** by Neal Shusterman.
 5. **Children of Blood and Bone** by Tomi Adeyemi.
 6. **The Prince and the Dress-maker** by Jen Wang.
 7. **American Panda** by Gloria Chao.
 8. **Batman: Nightwalker** by Marie Lu.
 9. **Speak: The Graphic Novel** by Laurie Halse Anderson and Emily Carroll.
 10. **The Poet X** by Elizabeth Acevedo.
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