

The McHenry Messenger

The newsletter of Diman's William M. McHenry Memorial Library

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Welcome to *The McHenry Messenger*, the newsletter for Diman's library, where we write about our varied library services and what's new in the library.

VariQuest Magic

Did you know you can make posters in the library? Our three VariQuest machines, located in the Teacher Resource Room, allow you to make posters and much more! Mr. Byrnes is available to train teachers at their request.

Poster Maker

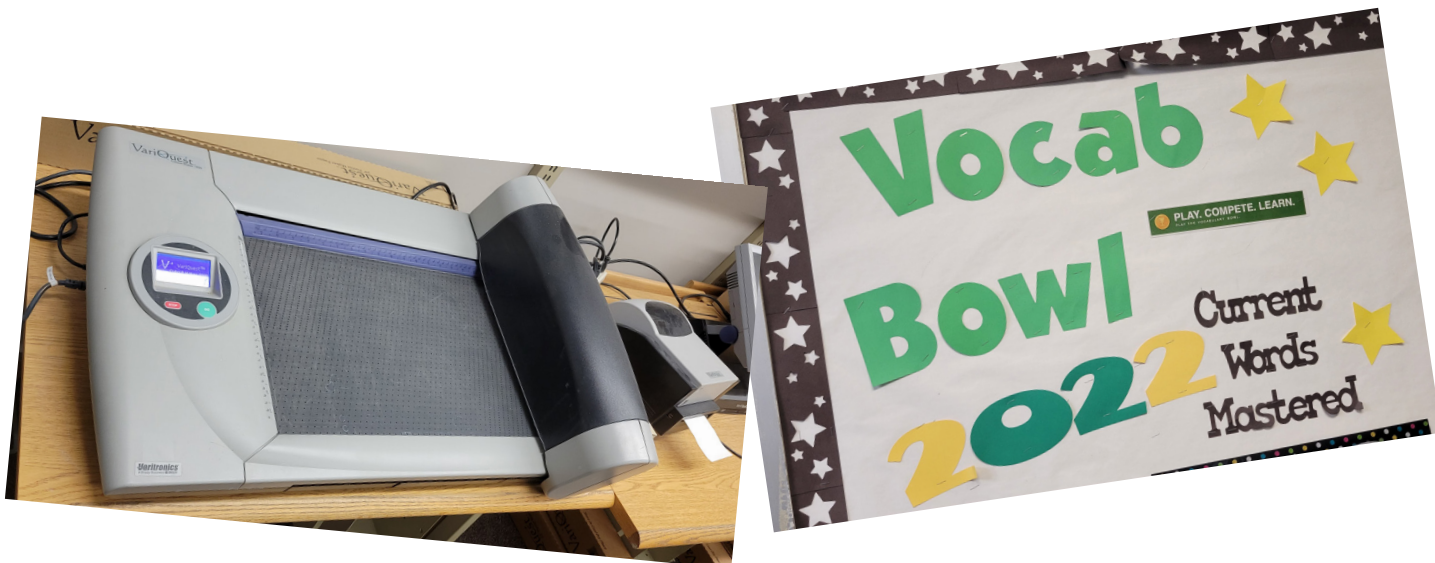
Our poster maker will expand any printed material to widths of 17, 23, 29, and 36 inches. Posters are single-color, with various choices available in each size. Teachers have used the poster maker to enlarge rubrics, famous quotations, classroom rules, Venn diagrams, and a variety of other educational material. Educators can also laminate their posters for repeated use with dry-erase markers or for basic preservation reasons.



In addition to allowing teachers to print posters of their own design, the VariQuest software has a large library of pre-designed graphic organizers and other educational material (see page 2 for more details).

Cutout Maker

Also frequently used is our cutout maker, which can be used to cut out any shape from construction paper. There are many pre-created shapes and fonts to choose from, and there's a variety of colored paper available in the library. An example of some of the cutouts is in the Vocab Bowl wall display outside the library, pictured below.

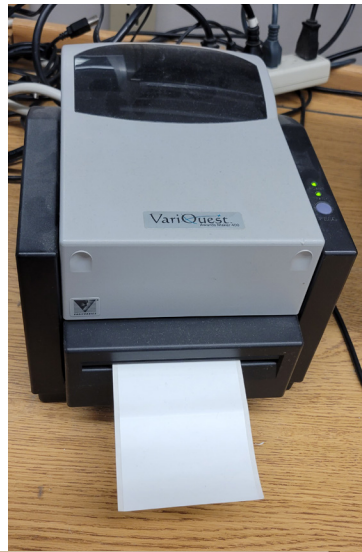


Award Maker

Create awards, stickers, flash cards, and other promotional material with our award maker.

Software

The touch-screen VariQuest kiosk allows educators to use thousands of pre-made templates for use with all three machines. It's easy to use and allows for a wide variety of creative educational endeavors.



Newspaper Kiosk

The library maintains digital subscriptions to the Fall River Herald News, Providence Journal, and Boston Globe, all of which offer full e-editions that are available to browse on a newspaper kiosk Chromebook in the library. Teachers and students are welcome to grab the kiosk and grab a seat on the new furniture in the sitting area.

In addition, we receive a paper copy of the Spectator, which covers Somerset and Swansea.



Book Borrowing & Requests

Our Library Resource Room has nearly 1,000 books bought specifically for teachers. The collection skews slightly towards fiction books, but also contains works of non-fiction, professional development, education theory, biography, and other non-fiction books.

Teachers can borrow books for three weeks. If books are needed longer than that, they can easily be renewed. Our catalog is viewable on our library website or directly at <https://diman.follettdestiny.com/>

If there's a book you'd like to read, or a valuable resource we lack, please fill out the "Request a Book" form on the library homepage.

