Grange Elementary School reading specialist featured in a “Publisher’s Weekly” article

Towson, MD – Laura Mossa, a reading specialist at Grange Elementary School, is one of five educators nationally to be featured in the “Publisher’s Weekly” article “Read Alouds That Rock: Silly Storytimes.”

In the article, Mossa describes how humorous books can help engage “striving readers” and serve as “jumping-off points” for further exploration of topics. The article includes the following quote from Mossa: “I just want to bombard the kids with books, help all of them see themselves as readers, elevate the picture book so that more kids read them, and for teachers not to worry about what their students are reading—as long as they’re reading!”

Mossa participates in the #ClassroomBookADay initiative, reading aloud to Kindergarten students at the end of every school day. In addition, outside of school, she produces the Beagles and Books blog to share reviews of children’s literature, and is a member of #bookexcursion, a group of 12 educators from across the nation who review and promote children’s literature.

In her 26th year of teaching for BCPS, Mossa has served as a classroom teacher, reading coach, district reading resource teacher, and consulting teacher. She has been the reading specialist at Grange since 2014.

(Editor’s note: A photo of Mossa accompanies this release.)

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