

# Danyel Vance

MEDIA  
SPECIALIST

SHE MANAGES THE MIDDLE SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER. HER DUTIES ARE TO HELP STUDENTS AND TEACHER WITH LITERACY, TECHNOLOGY, AR, STAR, AND ASSIST WHERE EVER SHE'S NEEDED. SHE SPENDS MOST OF HER DAY WORKING WITH STUDENTS AND HELPING FIND BOOKS THAT WILL MAKE READING FUN AND SOMETHING THEY WANT TO DO, NOT HAVE TO DO.

Mrs. Vance is in her 8th year in MC schools & 18th year in education.

In her spare time, she enjoys riding horses.

FAVORITES:

BOOK: TWILIGHT SERIES

TV SHOW: HEARTLAND

FOOD: SUSHI

COLOR: LILAC

She has 3 beautiful girls - 14, 11, & 10 months old. She & her husband own a small farm where they live with their girls and a lot of different animals! Their little farm is just a small piece of land connected to her family farm where she grew up. They are surrounded by family & friends, and God is number one in their lives.

MRS. VANCE CHOSE HER CAREER BECAUSE GROWING UP WHEN SHE'D PLAY SCHOOL, SHE WAS NEVER THE TEACHER, ALWAYS THE LIBRARIAN. SHE ALWAYS THOUGHT SHE'D END UP WORKING WITH ANIMALS AS A VET, BUT ONCE SHE GOT INTO IT, SHE KNEW THIS WAS WHERE SHE BELONGED. SHE STARTED OUT IN EARLY CHILDHOOD ED BEFORE GETTING A MASTERS TO BE A MEDIA SPECIALIST. SHE DIDN'T PLAN ON LEAVING THE CLASSROOM AS EARLY AS SHE DID, BUT DOORS OPENED, & HERE SHE IS 15 YEARS LATER STILL IN THE MEDIA CENTER.

"I LOVE THE FAMILY ENVIRONMENT. THE TEACHERS & STAFF I WORK WITH ARE NOT JUST MY COLLEAGUES, BUT MY FRIENDS & FAMILY. THE TEACHERS AT MCMS CARE ABOUT THEIR STUDENTS, BUT THEY CARE ABOUT EACH OTHER AS WELL."

In her career, she's most proud when she hears a student talk about a book she's recommended & how they love it. So many kids, especially in middle school, read because they have to, not necessarily because they want to. When a student comes back to the library wanting the rest of a series she's given them or wanting more books like the one she recommended, it feels good.

"I'm most grateful for my family and their support. I'm able to do the things I do whether it's for work or just things I have to do on a daily basis, because of them."