Welcome to Great Prairie AEA

Welcome to another GREAT school year! In partnership with your local school district, Great Prairie Area Education Agency wants you to know about all of the great resources available to help students achieve academically during the year.

Great Prairie AEA is dedicated to serving the needs of students and schools in this 14-county area of southeastern Iowa. We have two main offices - one located at 2814 North Court Street in Ottumwa and one located at 3601 West Avenue in Burlington. We also have three satellite offices located in: Albia, Fairfield and Mt. Pleasant. Our staff of over 300 includes a vast array of professionals serving your school district and students.

Your Great Prairie AEA, along with all Iowa AEAs, has numerous resources for you and your students in the convenience of your own home.

Media Resources provide students and teachers with access to digital video, ebooks, primary source documents, images, books and over 20 online databases.

 Over 1000 educators in GPAEA actively used the SNAP Media Catalog for delivery this past year 2013-14!

College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Reading ask teachers to provide multiple opportunities with text to "determine central ideas or themes, find evidence from the text, analyze how two or more texts address similar themes or topics to build knowledge and read and comprehend complex literary and informational texts independently

and proficiently." (Page 45 of Iowa Core ELA & Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science and Technical Subjects)

- Students need access to quality text and that is what GPAEA Media provides with over 100,000 print titles, 2000 ebook titles, 50,000 digital video titles (many with transcripts) and more than two dozen online databases!
- · Get started at www.gpaea.org and select Media Library. Username/Password information is available from your Teacher Librarian or the AEA Media Center - mediacenter@gpaea.org.

We encourage you to review the services that can be found on the reverse side of this flyer, by accessing our website for further detailed information of services available to help students make this the BEST school year that it can be!







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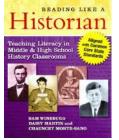
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Our Mission/

Great Prairie Area Education Agency improves teaching and learning by developing leaders, discovering solutions, and delivering services through collaboration with students, families, schools, and communities.

We are thrilled to announc that for the first time ever Harper Lee's iconic novel To Kill a Mockingbird will be released July 8 on eAudio and as an eBook hrough OneClickdigital





Great Prairie AEA Services Available To YOUR School District

This is a partial listing of services available from your Great Prairie Area Education Agency. Please visit our Website www.gpaea.org *for further information about services available.*

<u>Assessment Services</u> – Schools can access services that help them determine how well their curriculum, activities, and/ or programs are meeting students' needs.

<u>Autism Services</u> – Consultative support for children birth through 21 years of age who are identified with an Autism Spectrum Disorder or who demonstrate autism-like characteristics.

<u>Challenging Behavior Services</u> – The Behavior Team members provide social, emotional, and behavioral support services to local AEA and LEA teams for students with challenging behaviors. The focus of the team's support is on functional behavior assessment and intervention planning.

Differentiated Instruction and Co-Teaching Services – Schools can access services that provide consultation for implementing instructional strategies to meet the needs of all learners.

<u>Early ACCESS</u> – Families and staff work together in identifying, coordinating and providing needed services and resources that will help the family assist their infant or toddler to grow and develop.

<u>Early Childhood Services</u> – Your AEA provides services that help schools and families get young children ready for future school success.

<u>Hearing/Audiology Services</u> – The AEA provides services that help students with hearing loss to be successful in all learning environments and to provide stakeholder support.

<u>Mathematics Services</u> – Services that help provide highquality instruction in mathematics can be accessed by your school district.

<u>Media/Library Services</u> – Schools have access to services that provide high-quality print and non-print resources to support classroom instruction.

<u>Occupational Therapy/Physical Therapy Services</u> – Your AEA provides services that help students with physical disabilities to be successful in all learning environments.

<u>Print/Production Services</u> – Schools can access services that help them communicate with stakeholders, deliver instruction to students, and reduce local costs for product development.

<u>Professional Development Services</u> – Professional development sessions that help schools make better use of technology, increase leadership skills, improve teaching skills, and/or improve quality of local programs are available through the AEA.

<u>Reading/Writing Literacy Services</u> – Schools can access services that help them provide high-quality instruction in reading and writing.

<u>School Psychology/School Social Work/Special Education</u> <u>Consulting Services</u> – Your AEA provides services that identify students at risk for learning or in behavior problems and provide assistance to those students.

<u>Science Literacy Services</u> – Services that help schools provide high-quality instruction in science for your child are available.

<u>Speech-Language Pathology Services</u> – Speech and Language services are provided that help students with speech disabilities to be successful in all learning environments.

<u>Technology Services</u> – Schools can access services that help them provide high-quality instruction, improve communications, and/or gather, analyze, and use data for decision making.

<u>Transition Services - Special Education Secondary Students</u> – Your AEA provides services that help secondary students with disabilities successfully move from life in high school to life after high school in the workplace or in post-secondary education.

<u>Visual Impairment Services</u> – The AEA provides services that help students with vision disabilities to be successful in all learning environments.



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