**Ideas for Promoting a School Culture that fosters Student Growth in Literacy**

**Notes from 7-12 Literacy Committee Meeting**

**September 25, 2013**

* **Book Crossing.com**
  + **Treasure Hunt like geocaching**
  + **Lisa, Denise, Doug, Colleen, Misti, Lauren – bring books to Nov. 5 meeting – K-12**
* **Take students to library and get library cards- library will take a progress report with address to issue a card**
* Trips to bookstores – have students select books for the school library. Bookstores will help select books at correct lexile levels; trips to used book stores
* More options for kindles and nooks – attractive to students
* Websites for students to publish books
* **21st century literacies – wikis, blogs, texting, etc.**
* Publish research papers
* **Time for reading in class – calming effect 2x per week DEAR with Journal**
* Competition for publishing in a month!
* Seniors pick out a book and give it to a freshman with inspirational message
* **Read Across America – March 3 – older students read to younger students; parents read to kids; sports teams will participate – check out website; polycom**
* Students read to the rabbit, then post on bulletin board if the book was fiction or non-fiction
* Read to the chicks – each child gets to read to one chick
* Journaling – allows students to tell their story and be heard
* Read book/see movie/journal