Seneca High School’s Hunger Games Project
How One Book Caught Fire
The Hunger Games
by Suzanne Collins
One Book, One School Program

- Initiative of the Lenape Regional HS District
- Started during the 2009-2010 School Year
  - 2009-2010 *Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*
  - 2010-2011 *A Long Way Gone*
  - 2011-2012 *Hunger Games*
  - 2012-2013 *The Fault in Our Stars*
- Entire school community reads the ONE book during the summer (students, staff, faculty, administration)
Our Criteria

- Would help students develop a love of reading
- Young Adult target audience
- Paperback availability
- Less than 250 pages?
- Available in audio
- Male (?) Point of view
- Minimal explicitness
- Appropriate for 12-18 year olds
Selection Committee

- One teacher from each subject area
- Administrator
- Librarians
- Students
  - Selected by English teachers for *The Hunger Games*
  - Selected by us for 2012-2013
Meetings

- Monthly meetings beginning in January
- 1st meeting: Committee members come with list of book possibilities
- 2nd meeting: Books are read and whittled down
- 3rd meeting: Select 3 top books
- 4th meeting: Make final selection
- 5th meeting - Through summer: Planned Hunger Games activities
Students and teachers would be split into Districts according to homeroom
Students and teachers would be awarded points according to various school wide activities
- Would create a strong school spirit/culture
- *Activities discussed in a few minutes*
Homeroom teachers keep track of points on an envelope— *difficult*
- *Envelope example*
- *Letter to Homeroom teachers*
Would participate in 3-4 activities per month
Students earn tokens which become points
  - Tokens are distributed to staff members each week and can be given out as the teacher sees fit
    - Library secretary helping with this
  - One teacher is assigned to be in charge of each District
    - Reminder of upcoming activities
  - Points would be calculated each month on the homeroom envelope
$3500 Total Cost=
Tickets + Substitutes + Transportation
•Raised through fundraising and possibly school funds
12 Districts
- Each district has one grade in each
- Each district has about 100 students + 10 teachers
- Each district has a symbol and color
- **Our District Breakdown**

District information posted on a wall
- Contains student names/homerooms
- Teachers names
- Points awarded each month
Hunger Games Wall
Original Hunger Games Activities

- Activities
- Attendance score sheet example
Hunger Games t-shirt day—Received Points!
Events added on: Toy Drive
(Student Council kept track of points)
Events added on: Banner Parade (Student Council kept track of points)
Our first Academic Pep Rally

We brought the Hunger Games to life; how we made fiction a reality!
Dear District Citizens,

On Tuesday, November 15th, the One Book One School Committee (aka the nice version of The Capital) is going to have a REAPING. That’s right- a live reaping to be televised on the Seneca Morning Show!

Here’s how it will work: every citizen in each of the 12 districts will have the right to enter the reaping. 24 tributes will be selected – one boy and one girl from every district. If you choose to enter, you do so with the understanding that if chosen, YOU will represent your district at The Hunger Games pep rally held on Tuesday, November 22nd. During this pep rally there will be several competitions where our 24 tributes will compete against one another. The last tribute standing WINS.

If you dare to enter the reaping, your name will be written on a piece of paper and dropped into the REAPING bucket. If you are a senior, your name will be entered four times, a junior - three times, a sophomore - two times, and a freshman - one time. On the day of the reaping, one male and one female will be randomly selected from the bucket to represent their district. We will select the 24 names live on the Seneca Morning show on Tuesday, November 15th.

Each tribute will be treated like a Seneca celebrity during the week prior to the games. This means that there will be posters of the tributes scattered throughout the school to get everyone pumped up for the fun-spirited competitions. Each district will be counting on its tributes to represent and win points for them during the Pep Rally. Details about the events will NOT be revealed prior to the start of our Hunger Games. We do, however, promise you that there will not be any tracker jackers, cannon shots, or mutant mutts, (but President Snow could make an appearance). Be sure you have read the book before the games begin!

On Wednesday, November 9th, you can fill out an official contract to have your name entered into our reaping. A district student representative will come around to each homeroom to have you fill out the paperwork. You have two nights to think about it - may the odds be ever in your favor!

Sincerely,
The Hunger Games Committee
The Reaping

- Students volunteered in their homerooms - **signed a contract**
- One boy and one girl from each district were selected on live TV by our Principal
- 24 tributes would participate in our “games” - being eliminated until only one champion remained – bringing glory and points to their district!
Each tribute was asked to get a sponsor to promote them and their district.
The Hype

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JOEY

SUPPORT KENT DIMMIG AND TAYLOR WATSON FOR DISTRICT 1
The Pep Rally

- A series of events where our 24 tributes would be eliminated until a champion was declared.

- Events would become more complicated as our contestants grew smaller in number.
Pep Rally

- Pep rally took place at the end of the day – planned event for 90 minutes
Pep Rally

- Used our Student Council members to help with set up and clean up

- Maps
Pep Rally Activities

- Drum line processional
- Tributes introduced with theme music
- Five events culled down our Tributes
- Intermissions: original song performance and t-shirt/candy/token throwing
- Student Council changed sets during intermissions

- **Script**
- **Simplified event list given to Tributes and Sponsors**

Videos Coming Up!
Fans!
Entire school sat with their Districts
Fans!
First Round: Cornucopia
Second Round: Water
Third Round: Tails of Fire
Fourth Round: Nests, mud, cave, medicine
Final Round: Wall, spell, break the board, berries, kill mutation, climb over wall, hit target with arrow – WIN!
Winner!
Teacher from each District supervised a talent show performance featuring students from the District

- Requirements: Props, Based on book, Quality of Performance, Audience respectful, 3 minutes [Scoring Rubric](#)
- Assistant Principals were the judges
- After the performance, students voted via text on the best performance
- Judge points + text points = winners
- 1st place automatically gets to go the movie
- Points awarded to the 2nd and 3rd place winners
- [Script](#)
Talent Show
Talent Show
Voting by Text- Talent Show
## Final Points

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The Movie!

- **The winning three Districts** attended on March 23, 2012
- 9:30am, back to school by 12:30pm for lunch outside!
- 8 Buses
- Approximately 300 students
- 23 Staff members
The Movie!
This year....

- The Fault in Our Stars by John Green
- “Walk Under Our Stars”
  - Modeled after the “Relay for Life”
  - 12 hour walk from 6pm-6am
  - Over 600 students attended
  - Raised $26,000 for the American Cancer Society
“Walk Under Our Stars”
Pep Rally

- Task-style relay based on the book
- Hair donation and shave
  - Pantene’s Beautiful Locks
  - Boys shaved heads to raise money for the ACS
- Check presented to the American Cancer Society
Pep Rally
Hair Cutting
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Credit!

- You are welcome to use our handouts and ideas, but please give credit to:

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