# Media Matters



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## LMC Facts and Figures
### *Mar-April 2014*

Classes brought to the LMC
**99**

*8  full days SBA testing,
4 half days SBA testing*

Independent Student Use
**5329**

Books Circulated
**904**

Ave. Students per day (including classes)
**180**

E-mails received about scheduling classes
**59**

Online scheduling requests:
**19**

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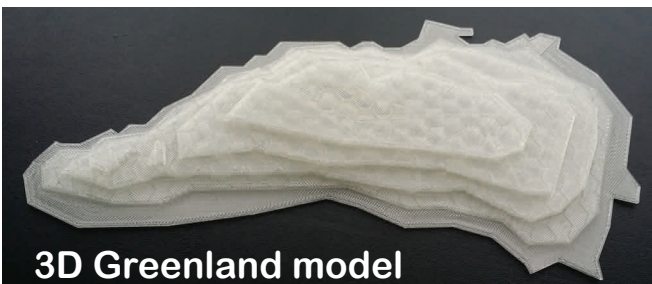Media Assistant
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## Collaboration Corner



After the last issue of Media Matters, Mr. Bourke approached me about using my new 3D printer with one of his classes. The students were learning how to calculate the volume of irregularly shaped objects.  The students were to determine the volume of Greenland.

Mr. Bourke built a 3D model of Greenland  and I was able to print it (well 97% of it). The model was to be placed in water and the displacement measured to find the actual volume. It was a valiant first effort into incorporating the 3D printer into a curriculum area, and we learned a lot from the collaboration. Kudos to Mr. Bourke for thinking outside the box and try something new.  We hope to discuss ideas on how to improve the assignment for next year.



**3D Greenland model**



**BEHS**
Library Media Center
bit.ly/behslib

# TECH TIP: GIF's
## (aka: those moving pictures Ms. Kenney sends out)

A ".gif" is a type of a picture found in on a computer. The animated variety, or animated .gif, is a series of pictures put together into a flip-book style. Even though the picture is "moving" it is considered one picture file instead of a video file.  The internet is full of them these days. You can search for some yourself. Start by doing a google image search, and then Click on "Search Tools" in the menu bar.  Click on Type and then select "Animated." Once you find one you like, simply save it like you would a regular picture! Insert or attach it into a powerpoint, email or online document!

# Library Users (March-April 2014)

**Berube**
**Chace**
**Cirillo**
**Dauphinas**
**Deslauriers**
**Fleming**
**Hazelton**
**Hyde**
**McDaniel**
**McElwee**
**Miller**
**Paquette**
**Roberts**
**Rocco**
**Stavens**
**Toomey**
**Valentin**
**Young**
**Zimmerman**



## mxHero: G-mail extension
## for control and privacy in your gmail.

mxHero (http://bit.ly/1qRZggl) is a useful add-on to Google mail that allows you have many of the functions you may have grown accustomed to in Groupwise: delayed send, tracking, reply timeout, and privacy settings.  mxHero is what is called a Google extension (defined by google as "extra features and functionality that you can easily add to Google Chrome. By using extensions, you can customize Google Chrome with features you like, while keeping your browser free of things that you don't use.") .

This extension adds these email functions to your @bristol12.org email account:

SEND LATER

Compose an important email now and choose when to have it delivered. Ensure important communications reach your client at the right time.

TOTAL TRACK

Want to know when someone interacts with your email? Click Track will inform you when any link or attachment has been accessed. Real time alerts for when (or which) link or file was accessed by each recipient.

PRIVATE DELIVERY

Want to send an email to many recipients, but don't want it to look like a mass mailing? Private Delivery will deliver to each recipient as though you sent just to them.

SELF DESTRUCT

Nowadays, you can never be sure in whose hands your emails will eventually end up! Use Self Destruct for those sensitive message that must be irrevocably destroyed after being read!  **I would NOT use this as I like records of school communications**

To install, you can use the link above, or visit the Chrome Web Store and searching for it. Once installed, you will get a small orange/yellow box next to the send button. Click on that box for a series of options that provide the above features.  I've played with it a bit—to see when messages are opened and I am getting results.

To learn more about how to use the extension, view this tutorial I found online:
http://youtu.be/C5DXL8jGbXw