

# Think Outside The Book

Language arts and journalism classes aren't just about reading and writing. There are many fun activities and projects that are also done to help students learn and develop.

*Ms.  
Brandy Brower*

says, "My eighth grade English class really wanted to do a project where they produced their own short newsletter. We developed one as a learning thing. Now, we hope to develop one that we can actually hand out to other students." However, making a

**Never doubt those small committed thoughts that you think could never change the world. Indeed, they are the only ones that ever have.**

*-Anonymous*

news letter isn't the only thing teachers do to take away from book work.

*Ms. Sherry Reichard* has her English 10 class do a research paper on a topic of their choice. Also, she has classes make projects that they present to their class. Her 8th grade English class even made comic books over a novel. Also, she throws in a movie here and there that pertains to what her class is studying at the time.

*Mrs. Suzanne Baker* uses some of these same tactics but also has a few different things. She has her ninth graders bring in music and lyrics to their favorite songs to share with the class. She also has kids interview fellow classmates or residents of the Ashley Health Care Center and write stories about them.

All teachers have their own things they like to do in their classes and the students enjoy them.

**BOOKWORM AT WORK** Freshman *Jeffrey Stehlik* writes a free verse poem for his English 9 class. The freshmen had to write 8-9 poems over the course of the year.

