

**Springville High School**  
**Article of the Week**  
**Effective Communicator – Literacy Initiative**  
**2015**

### **Project Objectives**

Provide an opportunity for all SHS faculty and students to engage with authentic informational texts that reflect the authentic purpose of connecting us to the world outside SHS.

1. Establish a collaborative culture of literacy at SHS, where faculty and students read to learn - creating a foundation of lifelong reading and understanding about the world.
2. Focus on our *Effective and Confident Communicator DRSL*.

### **Project Overview**

1. Faculty should introduce the weekly Article by **title** on Monday morning.
2. Faculty should encourage all students to participate in Article of the Week.
3. Articles will be reviewed the first 5 minutes of **every** class period either Thursday/and or Friday.
4. Articles will be posted for student/faculty/staff access by Monday morning
  - SHS web page
  - SHS Library page
  - Teacher UEN or web pages
  - Print copies available in the library
5. Most weeks there will be two articles – 4<sup>th</sup> grade level for ELL and inclusion students and 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> grade level for the rest of the school.

### **Assessment**

Thursday/and or Friday, all teachers will use the first 5 minutes of every class period to assess in whatever creative manner they choose:

- Bell ringer
- Part of the lesson for the period
- Class discussion – student or teacher led
- Class presentation – student or teacher
- Journal write
- Reflection
- Quiz
- et. al.