

Background Information School Libraries and School Library Systems in NYS

Commissioner's Regulations

[CR 91.1](#) - school libraries shall be established and maintained in each school
[CR 91.2](#) - employment of school librarians
[CR 100.4](#) - units of study in 7th and 8th grade, library and information skills
[CR 80-2.8](#) – certification requirements for school library media specialist
[CR 52.21](#) – registration of curricula in teacher education/library media specialist
[CR 90.18](#) – school library systems, based in BOCES and five big cities

School Library Systems – What are They?

SED SLS Brochure - <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/slssap/brochure.htm>

Statutory Funding for NYS School Libraries and Library Systems:

Education Law Section 711 - [Education Aid for the purchase of school library materials](#)

Education Law Section 284 – State Aid for School Library Systems
<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/EDN/284>

Learning Standards and School Libraries:

NYSED Student Learning Standards <http://www.nysed.gov/curriculum-instruction>

American Association of School Librarians (AASL) [Standards Framework for Learners](#)
(new in 2018)

NYSED [School Library Media Program Evaluation Rubric](#) (currently being updated)

[Empire State Information Fluency Continuum](#) (currently being updated)

Impact of School Libraries and School Librarians on Student Learning

AASL Fact Sheet – *Strong School Libraries Build Strong Students*
http://www.ala.org/aasl/sites/ala.org.aasl/files/content/aaslissues/advocacy/AASL_infographic.pdf

New York Comprehensive Center - *Informational Brief: Impact of School Libraries on Student Achievement; 2011*

http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/nyla/nycc_school_library_brief.pdf (currently being updated)

School Libraries Work 2016 - <http://library.dadeschools.net/promotions/School-Libraries-Work.pdf>

Professional Title – Why “School Librarian”?

AASL Press Release -

http://www.ala.org/news/news/pressreleases2010/january2010/adopt_aasl

NYS Legislation and School Librarians – 2019 Session

A.2444/S.2421 - Equal Access to School Libraries & Librarians - Current law fails to protect New York student rights to sound instruction in information sciences. 36% of primary and 26% of secondary schools have no school librarian. Studies in information fluency prepare students for college success, enhance career opportunities, and foster community engagement. This legislation provides a long-overdue guarantee that all students have access to a quality school library staffed by a certified NYS School Library Media Specialist. (2019 NYLA Legislative Priority)

School Library Issues - Major Stakeholders in New York State

- New York Library Association – Section of School Librarians
https://www.nyla.org/max/4DCGI/cms/review.html?Action=CMS_Document&DocID=136&MenuKey=ssl
- School Library Systems Association of NYS, Inc. <http://slsa-nys.org/>
- NYSUT Representative Assembly 2019 School Library [resolution](#)

NYS Statewide Plans for Library Services

2020 Creating the Future: A 2020 Vision and Plan for Library Services in New York State; Recommendations of the New York State Regents Advisory Council on Libraries to the New York State Board of Regents – accepted by the Board of Regents April 24, 2012. <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/future/index.html>

Regents Commission on Library Services - Final Report of the Regents Commission on Library Services – approved by the Board of Regents in its entirety as Regents policy for libraries; issued July 14, 2000; [Meeting the Needs of All New Yorkers: Library Service in the New Century](#)

New York’s Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Five Year Plan 2017-2022;
<http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/lsta/index.html>