

FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**Instruction**
LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS

The County Superintendent and County Board recognize that school libraries support the educational program by providing access to a variety of informational and supplemental resources that can help raise the academic achievement of all students. The County Superintendent and County Board desire that school libraries be stocked with up-to-date books, reference materials, and electronic resources that promote literacy, support academic standards, and prepare students to become lifelong learners.

School libraries shall be open for use by students and teachers during the school day. Any library open to serve students outside the school day, such as evenings and/or Saturdays shall be under the supervision of a certificated employee. (Education Code 18103)

Staffing

The County Superintendent may employ one or more teacher librarians who possess appropriate credentials issued by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. (Education Code 18120, 44868; 5 CCR 80024.6, 80053)

The County Superintendent or designee may assign teacher librarians to perform the following duties in accordance with the authorizations of their credential: (5 CCR 80053, 80053.1)

1. Instruct students in accessing, evaluating, using, and integrating information and resources in the library program and/or provide departmentalized instruction in information literacy, digital literacy, and digital citizenship;
2. Plan and coordinate school library programs with instructional programs through collaboration with teachers;
3. Select materials for school and County Superintendent libraries;
4. Develop and deliver staff development programs for school library services;
5. Coordinate or supervise library programs;
6. Plan and conduct a course of instruction for students who assist in the operation of school libraries;
7. Supervise classified personnel assigned school library duties; and
8. Develop procedures for and management of libraries.

Selection and Evaluation of School Library Materials

Library materials shall include print and electronic resources that align with the curriculum and

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are accessible to students with varying cognitive or language needs.

The County Superintendent or designee shall develop procedures for the selection and evaluation of library materials.

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Legal ReferenceEducation Code

1703 Coordination of district library services by county superintendent
1770-1775 Provision of library services by county superintendent
18100-18203 School libraries
18300-18571 Union high school district/unified school district library district
19335-19336 Reading Initiative Program; recommended books
35021 Volunteer aides
44868-44869 Qualifications and employment of library media teachers
45340-45349 Instructional aides

Code of Regulations, Title 5

16040-16043 School libraries
80023-80023.2 Emergency permits, general requirements
80024.6 Emergency teacher librarian services permit
80026-80026.6 Emergency permits
80053-80053.1 Teacher librarian services credential

Management ResourcesCalifornia Department of Education Publications

Examples of Model School Library Standards for California Public Schools Supporting Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for English Language Arts and Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science, and Technical Subjects, rev. February 2012

Model School Library Standards for California Public Schools: Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve, 2010 (includes standards for student instruction as well as program standards)

Looking at the School Library: An Evaluation Tool, 2003

Recommended Literature: Kindergarten Through Grade Twelve

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PUBLICATIONS

Standards and Guidelines for Strong School Libraries, 2004

Websites

American Association of School Libraries: <http://www.ala.org/aasl>

California Department of Education, School Libraries: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/cr/lb>

California School Library Association: <http://www.csla.net>