

Guiding students
through life...



South Dakota School Libraries

DATA DIGEST

2015

Innovation uses a fresh approach to solving real problems with resources you have and finding clever ways around the resources you don't have.
-Don Wettrick, from 'Pure Genius'

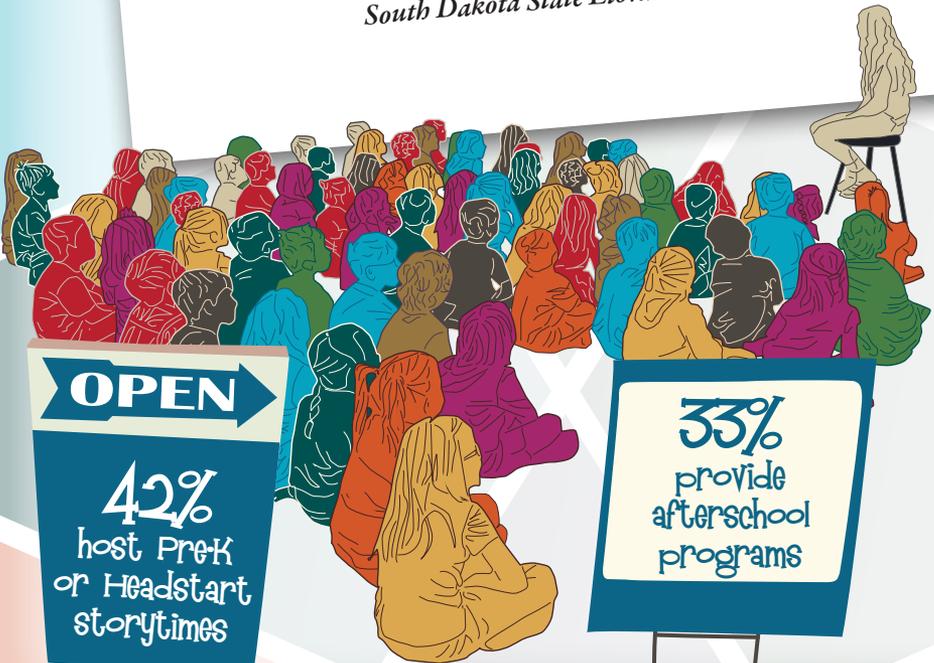


Today's school library program reflects the expanding responsibilities of the school librarian in teaching learners and other educators to develop the skills needed to be successful in work and in life.

We hope this data digest will challenge, inform and guide you. Use it as a tool as you strive to develop the school library as the information, integration, investigation and innovation center of your school. We've included a few examples of how you can use annual survey data with your school community.

As always, the State Library staff and I are here to answer your questions and assist you. When you determine the focus and priority for your school goals consider how you will create a contemporary learning environment both in the classroom and in the library commons where your students can learn and thrive.

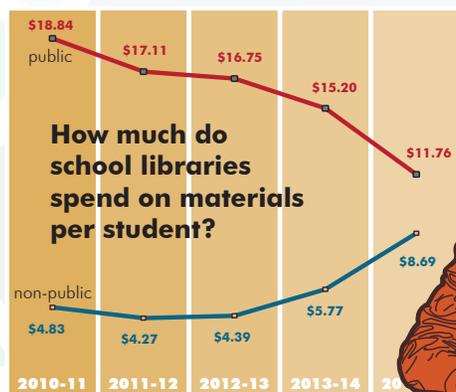
Daria Bossman
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Use data to communicate, plan & problem solve...

Administrators & School Boards:

- Create monthly and/or annual reports with graphics
- Generate longitudinal library data (2009-2015)
- Analyze comparisons of libraries geographically and/or demographically



Students & Staff:

- Integrate 24/7 access to physical and virtual resources
- Develop collections based on student advisory and needs assessment
- Connect learning and teaching to the real world with social media

42% districts/systems provide access to social media resources:



Parents & Families:

- Enhance parent participation and involvement in library programs
- Support year-round reading and related activities
- Promote 24/7 access to information resources

Community & Business:

- Collaborate with public libraries for summer reading activities, homework and other projects
- Partner with community experts to further opportunities for students
- Seek grant opportunities to expand library programs

83% host book fairs

40% host family literacy events

30% promote student book clubs

84% offer (SRPS) summer reading programs

68% promote public library SRPS

81% have access to a local public library



21st Century School Library Awards

EXEMPLARY

- Brookings High School
- Brookings Mickelson Middle School
- Discovery Elementary School, Sioux Falls
- Explorer Elementary School, Harrisburg
- Journey Elementary School, Harrisburg
- Lincoln High School, Sioux Falls
- Memorial Middle School, Sioux Falls
- Patrick Henry Middle School, Sioux Falls
- Roosevelt High School, Sioux Falls
- St. Elizabeth Seton Elementary School, Rapid City
- St. Thomas More High School, Rapid City
- Washington High School, Sioux Falls

ENHANCED

- Huron High School
- North Middle School, Rapid City
- Spearfish High School

EFFECTIVE

- Huron Middle School
- Oscar Howe Elementary School, Sioux Falls
- T.F. Riggs High School, Pierre

IN SCHOOL DISTRICTS/SYSTEMS WITH 21ST CENTURY AWARD WINNERS... *

94% more teacher librarians on staff

53% more ebooks circulated per student

28% more independent student visits to the library

21% more library items circulated per student

13% more weekly classroom visits to the library

9% more students checked out books from the library

**Awards given at individual school level. Data is collected at the district/system level. SD School Library Survey, 2014-15.*



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INFORMATION

DID YOU KNOW?

171 districts/systems have 368 school libraries



93%
students have access to a school library

8,100 students visit school libraries independently each day

4,600 classes visit school libraries each week

35 library items checked out per student

1 new item was purchased per student

88%
students have checked out at least one book

INTEGRATION

YEAR-ROUND READING

20% host summer reading programs

27% encourage school-wide reading goals

45% open summer library hours

53% SD Book Awards participation



INVESTIGATION

MULTIPLE LITERACIES

100%
online databases from the South Dakota State Library

88% WiFi

46%
ereaders and tablets

45%
permit student-owned devices

46%
ebook access

30%
online newspapers magazine subscriptions

INNOVATION

LEARNING COMMONS

5%
include maker spaces

15%
maintain a library advisory committee

20%
added, remodeled or expanded the library in the past 5 years

29%
library staff are members of the curriculum committee

34%
library staff are members of the technology committee

42%
librarians and classroom teachers collaborate

20 MINUTES
24/7

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The information in this digest reflects the activity of school libraries in public school districts, nonpublic school systems, tribal/BIE schools, and state special schools.

State data comprises information collected and submitted via the 2014-15 South Dakota School Library Survey.



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