School Librarians as Literacy Leaders

School librarians are literacy leaders with expertise gained in extensive work on reader advisory, collection development, questioning, inquiry, information processing, and other literacy skills. Librarians not only teach these skills, but provide integrated opportunities for students to practice literacy through research and creative projects. Even more critical is the love of reading and learning that librarians instill in every student. This unique approach is what lets school librarians develop lifelong learners. Research has long shown that school librarians enrich literacy efforts of classroom or reading teachers, but cannot be replaced by them.

- Skills alone don’t make a literate student.
- Literacy skills like inquiry have been a teaching focus in school libraries.
- ESSA and the DoE recognize school librarians as effective and critical.
- Libraries develop readers who love to read beyond assignments.

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