Did You Know ... ?

...about the

School Library?
Did You Know ...

... studies link a School Library with Academic Achievement?

Studies of Test Scores
- 20 states in past 10 years
- 10,000+ elementary, middle & high schools
- more than 3 million students

- School Library is 2nd as predictor of Academic Achievement
- Higher than:
  - per-pupil spending
  - teacher/pupil ratio
  - minority education
  - adult education level
- Poverty is only predictor higher than a Library!
Did You Know ...

... these Library predictors of Academic Achievement?

- Test scores rise with Library usage
- Flexible access
- Individual visits
- Group visits
- ICT literacy

Increases of:
- 9-10% for MS
- 8-11% per # computers w/ Internet access
Did You Know ...

... these Library predictors of Academic Achievement?

- Test scores rise with a **Credentialed Librarian** who spends time planning with teachers.
- Identifying resources for teachers.
- Providing Professional Development to teachers.

Scores rise with frequency of:

- Instructional collaboration, esp. involving technology.
- Providing Instructional Resources.
- Professional development (15-20% increase).
Did You Know ...

... these Library predictors of Academic Achievement?

- Test scores rise with a **Credentialed Librarian** who spends time
  - Co-teaching lessons
  - Teaching ICT literacy to students
  - Developing the collection
  - Motivating students to read

- Scores rise proportional to:
  - Currency of collection (up to 14% increase)
  - Licensed databases
Students will
- inquire, think critically, draw conclusions, gain/create new knowledge
- have ICT literacy
- pursue personal growth through independent learning
- show social responsibility by sharing information ethically & productively

Did You Know ... the School Librarian teaches **ALL** these skills through Information Literacy lessons?
Did You Know ...

... your School Librarian is an experienced Teacher?

• A School Librarian must be a certified teacher with at least 3 years teaching experience

• A School Librarian takes graduate courses in Library & Information Science to earn a Library Certification or a Master’s degree

• A School Librarian can recommend resources for your classroom & the best vendors for purchasing items for your classroom.

• A School Librarian can help you select & teach appropriate instructional technologies for your lessons.