

THE IMPORTANCE OF SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

"Having a certified school librarian in every elementary school is an essential component to helping students meet ELA Common Core Learning Standards."
Jason Evangelist, Assistant Superintendent, Rome CSD

"I have always said becoming a librarian is the best kept secret job! This is a job that allows you to really positively influence young readers, challenges you to be creative and keep up on what is new in the literary world. If you love to read, write, research, teach, laugh, create, collaborate and much more...this is the job for you."
Kelly M. Chambala, Library Media Specialist, Split Rock Elementary School, West Genesee School District

"As a school librarian, I feel like I'm always learning. I love that part of my job is basically to be on the look out for new Web 2.0 tools or project ideas or different, innovative ways to help teachers reach their students and to help students use a variety of tools to express their knowledge."
Jennifer Kailer, Van Duyn Elementary, Syracuse City Schools

"A Library Media Specialist has a special skill set. They bring projects alive through inquiry, they strive to help students be informed and ethical digital citizens, and they instill a love of reading for all."
Maureen Kendrick, Nottingham High School, Syracuse City Schools

"If you care about students and you are committed to creating the best educational environment you can in a building/district then you can't go wrong with a career as a school LMS. You will be challenged. You will have many opportunities for creativity in how you use and manage your space. You will be an integral part of an instructional team that delivers teaching and resources to students and staff. I can't think of a better way to spend my days."
Marcie Mann, Homer HS, Homer CSD

"The school librarian job is the best job in the district because it allows me to help both students and teachers become better thinkers, learners and communicators."
Emily Gibson, K-12 Librarian, Little Falls CSD

"School librarians have the benefits of both worlds...they not only impact the lives of their student's for change, they introduce the next generation of problem solvers to endless possibilities through some of the very best information!"
Nannette Burt, Camden MS, Camden CSD

"A school library is the beating heart of learning, where imagination and curiosity can roam free, the place where a lifelong dialogue with the world can begin. Every time I'm in one, I'm reminded of why I write, I'm re-inspired to go on encouraging children to read and discover."
Nicola Davies, Author, www.nicola-davies.com

DO YOU ENJOY KIDS, LITERATURE, TECHNOLOGY?

Are you a problem solver, creative, flexible and an innovator?

Think about becoming a certified school librarian.
(Master's in Library Science is required.)

Position openings in CNY and in most parts of New York state.

For information, contact your local school library system director at :
<https://sites.google.com/site/cnyslsa>

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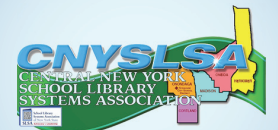
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BECOME A SCHOOL LIBRARIAN



WHAT A SCHOOL LIBRARIAN DOES

TEACHES

Teaches students to locate, evaluate, analyze, synthesize, select, create and share information in many formats.

CHALLENGES

Challenges students to question, think critically, acquire, evaluate, draw conclusions, create and share.

DIVERSIFIES

Meets diverse student needs, interests, languages, cultural backgrounds and abilities.

ENGAGES

Engages in professional development activities to stay up-to-date on educational technology, issues in education, trends and research.

ADVOCATES

Advocates for legal and ethical use of information, technology and resources.

PARTICIPATES

Participates as leaders in professional organizations and welcomes leadership opportunities.

PROMOTES

Promotes a culture of questioning, information seeking and discovery.

COLLABORATES

Promotes collaboration among students and faculty and collaborates with colleagues. Administrators and parents.

DEGREE PROGRAMS

There are three universities in New York that have a Masters in Information Sciences/School Librarianship. Each have both online and "in person" classes to meet your busy schedule and learning styles.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Type of Program: Face-to-Face, Online and Blended

** The online program does require a two week on campus residency in the summer in Syracuse.*

Face to Face Location: Syracuse, NY

Website: <http://ischool.syr.edu/>

Contact: Blythe Allison Bennett, Program Manager, Library and Information Science/School Media

UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

Type of Program: Face-to-Face, Online and Blended

Face to Face Location: Albany, NY

Website: <http://www.albany.edu/informationstudies/index.php>

Contact: Joette Steffl-Mabry, Associate Professor and School Library Program Director

UNIVERSITY AT BUFFALO

Type of Program: Face-to-Face, Online and Blended

Face to Face Location: Buffalo, NY

Website: <http://gse.buffalo.edu/programs/mls>

Contact: Mary Jo Sicurella, School Librarianship Program Coordinator

IMPACT OF SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

SCHOOL LIBRARIANS TRANSFORM LEARNING

Individuals must thrive on change and seek challenges that require creative solutions. Need to be collaborative, problem solvers, creative, socially innovative, flexible and adaptable.

85%
of school librarians answer questions about technology tools

School librarians ensure their students have the best chance to succeed.

School librarians can help you co-plan and co-teach lessons that focus on the evaluation of sources and information.

33%
of school librarians train teachers how to locate and evaluate digital content