Kansas Program Standards Library Media Specialist PreK-12

Standard 1: Leader: The librarian and information teacher models leadership and best practices throughout the school community to develop an effective school library program and serve as an advocate for student learning in support of career and technical education.

Content Knowledge	Professional Skills
The librarian and information teacher knows theories of:	The librarian and information teacher:
1.1 leadership that provide the basis for the school	1.5 evaluates, selects, and organizes the library collection as
librarian's role in student learning and achievement	the essential information base for the school.
within the context of current educational initiatives.	
1.2 networking that enable establishment of connections	1.6 engages in professional learning by reading publications,
with other educators for curriculum planning,	attending conferences, and participating in professional
implementation, and evaluation.	networks that foster best practices in school libraries.
1.3 professionalism relevant to continuous professional	1.7 collaborates with colleagues to maintain and promote a
learning through participation and membership in library	professional learning collection.
associations, attendance at professional conferences,	
reading professional publications, and exploring Internet	
resources.	
1.4 advocacy that provide the basis for best educational	1.8 uses research-based evidence to contribute to and lead
practices for identifying stakeholders within and outside	school improvement and professional development
the school community, and to develop a plan to advocate	initiatives.
for school library and information programs, resources,	
and services.	

Standard 2: Instructional Partner: The librarian and information teacher participates with members of the school community to develop district and school building level policies, practices, and curricula to guide student learning in content areas including instruction of information and technology literacy.

Content Knowledge	Professional Skills
Content Knowledge	
The librarian and information teacher knows:	The librarian and information teacher collaborates with:
2.1 theories of policy development and identifies	2.8 teachers and school specialists to design, implement,
exemplars of district and school building level policies,	and evaluate inquiry-based lessons and units that integrate
practices, and curricula in content areas, including	multimedia, research, and information literacy skills into
information and technology literacy, to guide P-12 student learning.	instruction.
2.2 theories of co-teaching and curriculum integration.	2.9 teachers and school specialists in teaching P-12 students
	essential content skills, effective communication skills, and
	information literacy as an integral component of the school's
	comprehensive literacy instruction.
2.3 good communication, consultation, and problem-	2.10 teachers and students by providing instruction to
solving skills.	teachers and students in finding and using age and ability appropriate resources.
2.4 content area curriculum and effective instructional	2.11 parents, members of the community, museums,
techniques to integrate information and technology literacy	municipal services, private organizations, and commercial
instruction.	entities to include their expertise and utilize their assistance
	in integrated inquiry-based lessons and units.
2.5 information literacy standards as delineated by the	2.12 administrators to actively promote, support, and
American Library Association.	implement collaboration and content integration.
2.6 technology literacy standards as delineated by	2.13 students by seeking input from students on the learning
International Society for Technology and Education.	process including identifying critical content.
2.7 relationships between professional learning and	
student performance.	

Standard 3: Information Specialist: The librarian and information teacher models the use of information and technology literacy skills, and promotes their importance in the curriculum as foundational learning tools.

Content Knowledge	Professional Skills
The librarian and information teacher knows:	The librarian and information teacher:
3.1 theories of information-seeking behavior.3.2 principles of information ethics including intellectual freedom, intellectual property, privacy, and professional ethics.	3.10 demonstrates expertise with computer technologies to prepare and deliver instruction.
3.3 ethical code of the American Library Association.	3.11 demonstrates expertise with computer technologies for information creation, access, interpretation, storage, retrieval, organization, management, communication, and use.
3.4 strategies for providing and promoting flexible, open access to library services and information.	3.12 enables open and equitable access by collaborating with school community members to address physical, social, and intellectual barriers to library resources and services.
3.5 research-based models for addressing physical, social, and intellectual barriers to equitable access.	3.13 models and promotes efficient and ethical information seeking behaviors through the design and delivery of authentic learning experiences for P-12 students, teachers, and administrators in professional learning communities.
3.6 instructional design models for creating authentic learning experiences that engage students.	3.14 conducts research to enhance instruction.
3.7 current and emerging technology tools to locate, analyze, evaluate, and use information resources to support research, learning, communication, and creativity.	
3.8 current computer technology that supports research, learning, communication, and creativity.	
3.9 research concepts and methods for the collection, interpretation, and use of data to create new practices and to enhance existing practices in school libraries.	

Standard 4: Teacher (knowledge of learners and learning): The librarian and information teacher uses effectively instructional practices to teach students to become enthusiastic readers, critical thinkers, skillful researchers, and ethical users of information.

Content Knowledge	Professional Skills
The librarian and information teacher knows:	The librarian and information teacher participates with
	reading specialists and other teachers:
4.1 a wide range of children's, young adult, and	
professional literature in multiple formats and languages	4.6 in comprehensive literacy instruction: reading, writing,
to support reading for information, reading for pleasure,	thinking, listening, and speaking.
and reading for lifelong learning.	
4.2 strategies that promote leisure reading and models	4.7 to promote reading for children and young adults through
personal enjoyment of reading to promote creative	the use of high-quality and high-interest literature that reflects
expression.	the diverse developmental, cultural, social and linguistic needs
	of P-12 students.
4.3 models of collection development for reading and	4.8 to teach the evaluation of visual, quantitative, and oral
information materials in print and digital formats that	information in multiple formats.
support the diverse developmental, cultural, social, and	
linguistic needs of P-12 students.	
4.4 strategies for collaboration with content teachers to	4.9 to use authentic and engaging instructional strategies that
reinforce comprehensive literacy instruction that ensures	reinforce classroom reading in support of lifelong learning
P-12 students are able to create meaning from text.	and to develop in children and youth an appreciation for
	literature in support of personal and creative pursuits.
4.5 strategies for evaluation of text complexity.	4.10 to promote reading through readers' advisory services,
	literature selection, and other focused activities in the school
	and community.
	4.11 to teach effective reading strategies to build P-12 student
	comprehension.

Standard 5: Teacher (knowledge of pedagogy): The librarian and information teacher uses principles of effective	
teaching and learning to create an active, inquiry-based learning	arning environment.
Content Knowledge	Professional Skills
The librarian and information teacher knows:	The librarian and information teacher:
 5.1 theories of learning styles, stages of human growth and development, and cultural influences on learning. 5.2 formative and summative assessment strategies that can be used to design instruction based on the American Association of School Librarian's twenty-first century skills and educational best practices that reflect student's 	5.5 uses knowledge of learning styles and human development to shape instructional decisions.5.6 uses reading, viewing, and listening activities to foster motivation and learning.
age-range, abilities, and interests.5.3 principles of effective teaching and learning that contribute to an active, inquiry-based learning environment for all students with regard to diverse learning styles, interests, needs, and intellectual and	5.7 recognizes and makes appropriate accommodations including selecting appropriate materials and resources for individual differences.
physical disabilities. 5.4 strategies for documentation and communication of the impact of collaborative instruction on student achievement.	5.8 builds a local library media curriculum integrating content, information, and technology standards.
	5.9 designs and delivers inquiry-based instruction that enhances information, media, visual, and technical literacies of P-12 students.
	5.10 integrates use of current technologies into a variety of instructional strategies to support the diverse learning styles, interests, and abilities of all students to inquire, think critically, gain, and create knowledge.
	5.11 collaborates with teachers and other stakeholders in professional development activities involving curriculum development and school improvement in support of student achievement.
	5.12 collects and analyzes data, and reports impact of collaborative instruction on student learning and achievement.

Standard 6: Administrator: The librarian and information teacher manages and administers the school library and		
advocates for the success of its educational program in collaboration with building and district colleagues.		
Content Knowledge	Professional Skills	
The librarian and information teacher knows:	The librarian and information teacher:	
6.1 the vision, mission statement, goals, objectives, policies, and procedures of their local professional learning community.	6.5 models ethical and responsible behavior in use of information.	
6.2 school improvement and accreditation processes.	6.6 provides equitable intellectual and physical access to resources and services.	
6.3 district, state, and national standards.	6.7 develops a balanced collection that is up-to-date, and represents multiple points-of-view.	
6.4 management theories that support an effective school library program, including budget, personnel, facilities, evaluation, selection, acquisitions, cataloging, processing, deselection, inventory, client access, and circulation.	6.8 respects and upholds the rights of users in matters of privacy and confidentiality.	
	6.9 promotes the library media program within the school, the district, and the community.	
	6.10 participates in the school improvement process through support of and involvement in curriculum planning, departmental committees, and personal professional learning.	
	6.11 establishes connections with students, staff, administrators, parents, and community members.	