

## **School Library/Resource Centre**

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There are many changes taking place in education today, not the least of which is an inquiry-centered approach to learning. In order to facilitate this approach, students and teachers need ready access to the resources and facilities of a well-stocked school library. In order to make the services and facilities of the school library readily available, a qualified school librarian is necessary.

In addition, to be completely effective, the school library should receive support from the district level. Such support can be offered through the setting up of a district library service centre (Resource Centre).

#### 1. Resources

There should be a wide range of learning and teaching resources, both print and non-print (media).

#### 2. The School Library Facility

In order to facilitate the inquiry-centred approach to teaching and learning, an adequate physical facility will be made available so that the resources can be efficiently and effectively utilized by both students and teachers.

#### 3. The Resource Centre Facility

Libraries in the district can operate with the greatest efficiency and produce advanced services by establishing a district service centre to act in a supporting role.

#### 4. Staff

Every effort will be made by the Board of School Trustees to employ the services of professional teacher-librarians and paraprofessionals so that the media collection and its facilities can be effectively utilized.

#### 5. Handbook

A School Library/Resource handbook will be made available to each school.