**SCHOOL LIBRARIES BUILD STRONG STUDENTS**

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**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

Test scores tend to be significantly higher for schools that have full-time certified school librarians as well as for those that have such a librarian with support staff.

Achterman 2008

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**STATE STUDIES CONFIRM SCHOOL LIBRARIANS SUPPORT STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT.**

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**CAREER AND COLLEGE READINESS**

“School libraries are essential learning resources and librarians are the essential ‘guides inside’ our schools, leading everyday teaching and learning toward methods and outcomes that best prepare our students for the challenges of the 21st century.”

Bernie Trilling, Global Director, Oracle Education Foundation, 2010

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“INFORMATION RETRIEVAL AND EVALUATION IS A LIFELONG SKILL THAT ALL WORKFORCE STUDENTS NEED. SCHOOL LIBRARIANS PROVIDE THAT INSTRUCTION.”

Bill Cullifer, Exec Director, WebProfessionals.org/WhyITnow.org initiative, 2013

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**STRONG SCHOOL LIBRARIES BRIDGE THAT GAP**

37% of all Americans do not have access to high-speed broadband connectivity at home. Pew 2012

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