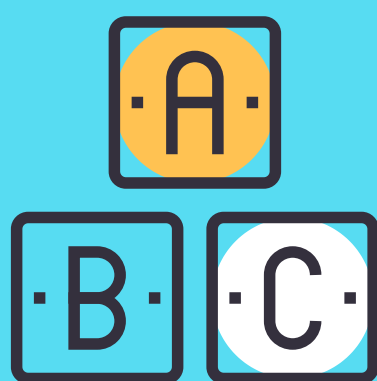


# 2020 CHANGES TO NJ STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT NJ STANDARDS REVISIONS AND THE INCREASED NEED FOR CERTIFIED SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALISTS IN NEW JERSEY SCHOOLS



## 1.) SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST CURATION

The School Library Media Specialist is needed not only "to select and curate appropriate sources but also to provide professional development to fellow educators in this area." [NJSLS 9 pg18](#)

## 2.) EQUITY OF ACCESS

Schools must "provide library-media services under the direction of a certified school library media specialist," including "supplemental materials that motivate students to read in and out of school and to conduct research." [NJAC 6A:12-2.1 pg4](#)

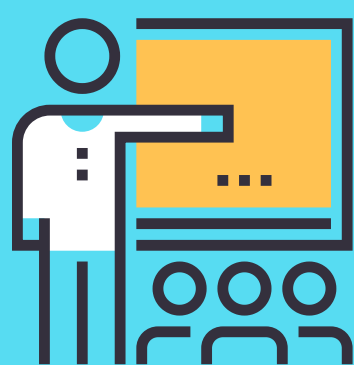


## 3.) CAREER READINESS

Information and Media Literacy, Technology Literacy, and Digital Citizenship are now distinct strands within the the NJ Standards for "Career Readiness, Life Literacies, and Key Skills." [NJSLS 9 pg11](#)

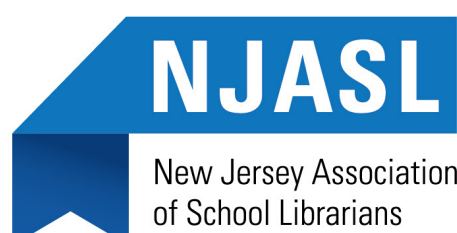
## 4.) INFORMATION LITERACY

School library media specialists are the certified teachers who instruct students how "to check sources for possible distortion, exaggeration, or misrepresentation." [NJAC 6A:9B-14.14 pg152](#); [QSAC 14 pg10](#)



## 5.) DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

School Library media specialists are the certified teachers who both instruct in evaluation, creation and utilization of media and serve as school leaders in "privacy, data, property, information, and identity." [NJ SLMS Endorsement](#); [NJSLS 9.4.12. pg54](#)



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