



State of New Jersey
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Adoption Resolution
April 3, 2024

Resolution in Recognition of School Library Month in New Jersey

Whereas, the month of April 2024 has been designated nationally as School Library Month by the American Association of School Librarians; and

Whereas, school libraries strive to provide equitable access to resources and instruction for all students; and

Whereas, school libraries provide materials and resources that reflect the diversity of our students and communities, as well as honoring a student's freedom to read; and

Whereas, school libraries provide resources and instruction to assist with the implementation of New Jersey Student Learning Standards; and

Whereas, school library media specialists develop information literacy skills instruction so students are able to effectively locate, evaluate and apply knowledge; and

Whereas, school library media specialists assist with literacy development to raise literacy rates by inspiring students to develop a lifelong love of reading; and

Whereas, school library media specialists create literature appreciation activities and encourage content and recreational reading to every student; and

Whereas, school libraries contribute to students' social and emotional learning needs; and

Whereas, it is both fitting and proper that special recognition be given to school libraries and the role of certified school library media specialists in ensuring an environment that allows for reading and learning, investigation and research, and the lifelong pursuit of knowledge for all students in New Jersey; now, therefore be it

Resolved, that the New Jersey State Board of Education and the Acting Commissioner of Education recognize April 2024 as School Library Month in New Jersey.

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