## **Professional Growth**

**Deep Dive into the School Librarian PGS** 

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#### State Board of Education STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS



**ALL** Students Proficient and Showing Growth in All **Assessed Areas** 

**EVERY** School Has Effective Teachers and Leaders



**EVERY** Student Graduates from High School and is Ready for College and Career

**EVERY** Community Effectively Uses a World-Class Data System to Improve Student Outcomes





**EVERY** Child Has Access to a High-Quality Early Childhood Program

**EVERY** School and District is Rated "C" or Higher







## **VISION**

To create a world-class educational system that gives students the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce, and to flourish as parents and citizens

## **MISSION**

To provide leadership through the development of policy and accountability systems so that all students are prepared to compete in the global community





To create collaborative relationships between school librarians and classroom teachers which transforms the school library program into a support system that strengthens the curriculum by bridging the informational literacy gap.





## The AASL National School Library Standards encourage learners to:



#### **INQUIRE**

 Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems.



#### **INCLUDE**

 Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community.



#### **COLLABORATE**

 Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals.



#### **CURATE**

 Make meaning for oneself and others by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance.



#### **EXPLORE**

 Discover and innovate in a growth mindset developed through experience and reflection.



#### **ENGAGE**

 Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products independently while engaging in a community of practice and an interconnected world.





Children
without basic
literacy skills
when they
enter school
are **3-4 times**more likely to
drop out later.



Reading to a child in an interactive style raises his or her IQ by over 6 points.



15 minutes per day of independent reading can equals 1 million+ words in a year.



Daily reading to children puts them almost **1 year** ahead of those who are not being read to.



Children who read 3,000 words per day will be in the top 2% of standardized tests.





# Warm-Up Talk

What do you need to know about the professional growth rubric?





# Overview & Goals

Librarian Growth Rubric





## **Overarching Goals**



- Provide information about the performance of individual school librarians to help highlight areas of strength and identify areas for growth
- Serve as a guide for school librarians as they reflect upon their own practices



## **Overarching Goals**



- Provide shared understanding regarding priorities, goals, and expectations of quality practice
- Serve as a tool to help structure administrative leadership and feedback

































## **National Alignment**



School Librarian Professional Growth System Rubric is aligned to meet the standards set forth by the *American Association of School Librarians*.



## **National Alignment**

#### **LPGS: Domain I: Instructional Planning** Standard 1

Consults with teachers, administrators, and school library advocacy committee to create Student Learning Outcome and School Library Program SMART Goals which plan for and provide necessary resources, technology, and instructional services aligned with the Mississippi Learning Standards for Libraries and supports the Mississippi College-and Career-Readiness Standards.

#### **AASL: Shared Foundation: Collaboration** *III.B.1-2*

The school library's policies ensure that school librarians are active participants in development, evaluation, and improvement of instructional and program resources with the school librarian by: Consistently engaging with the school community to ensure that the school library resources, services, and standards align with the school's mission; Participating in district, building, and department or grade-level curriculum development and assessment on a regular basis.



## **National Alignment**

#### LPGS: Domain II: Instructional Collaboration Standard 4

Maintains effective, positive communication with the students and staff regarding library programs, resources, and services while advocating for the school library program in the school community.

#### AASL: Shared Foundation: Include II.D.3

The school library builds empathy and equity within the global learning community by: Clearly and frequently articulating the school library's impact when communicating with administration, faculty, staff, learners, parents, and the community.



## **National Alignment**

#### **LPGS: Domain III: Library Culture and Learning Environment** *Standard* 7

Organizes the library resources and ensures equitable physical access to facilities while demonstrating high expectations and maintaining an environment that is inviting, safe, flexible, and conducive to teaching and learning.

#### **AASL: Shared Foundation: Inquire** *I.C.1-3*

The school library provides learners opportunities to maintain focus throughout the inquiry process by:

Creating and maintaining a teaching and learning environment that is inviting, safe, adaptable, and conducive learning;

Enabling equitable physical and intellectual access by providing barrier-free, universally designed environments;

Engaging with measurable learner outcomes and with data sources to improve resources, instruction, and services.



## **National Alignment**

#### LPGS: Domain IV: Professional Responsibilities Standard 9

Participates in appropriate professional learning opportunities and/or belongs to professional library organizations to increase knowledge and skills in providing effective support for the school library and instructional programs.

#### **AASL: Shared Foundation: Collaboration** *III.D.2-3*

The school library provides opportunities for school librarians to connect and work with the learning community by: Designing and leading professional-development opportunities that reinforce the impact of the school library's resources, services, and programming on learners' academic learning and educators' effectiveness; Promoting and modeling the importance of information-use skills by publicizing to learners, staff, and the community available services and resources, serving on school and district-wide committees, and engaging in community and professional activities.



Rubric Evidence





## **Evaluation Requirements**



 MINIMUM of 3 evaluations with 2 informal and 1 formal evaluation

• Feedback is **REQUIRED** after each evaluation



## **Summative Rating**



- Using the evidence collected over the course of the school year, the administrator should apply the four-performance level rating scale to evaluate a librarian's practice using all nine Librarian Growth Rubric standards.
- Summative observation standard ratings for each librarian will be submitted to the MDE. The method of submission and submission window will be provided to districts between February or March of each year.



## **Rating Weights**

Component	Description	Tested Teachers	Non-tested Teachers/Coaches	Support Faculty
Instructional Practices	Minimum of 3 Observations related to the appropriate PGS Rubric, observing all domains weighted equally	50%	50%	50%
Student Climate Survey	Average score (from students) based off school climate survey	10%	10%	10%
	SMART Goal related to performance on state test	20%		
Student	SMART Goal related to school-wide initiative			20%
Growth	SMART Goal related to performance on district diagnostic test		20%	
	School-wide Student Performance BOTTOM 25%	20%	20%	20%
Total Weight		100%	100%	100%



## **Rating Weights**

Percentage of Students meeting SMART Goal related to School-wide Initiatives			
4	3	2	1
Exceeds Goal	On Target	Approaching Goal	Not on Target

School librarians will develop and implement **two (2)** SMART goals per school year. The librarians will collaboratively write goals with the input of the school library advocacy committee. The first goal will encompass the student learning outcomes for either a particular grade or whole school. The second goal will include a library program goal which improves the resources or services provided to students and teachers. The overall professional growth score will be the average of the two SMART goals.

#### **EXAMPLE:**

Student Learning Outcome SMART Goal score = 3 | Library Program SMART Goal score = 4 | SMART Goal Overall Score = 3+4 = 7/2 = 3.5 (overall score)



## **Student Learning Outcome SMART Goal**

Percentage of Students meeting SMART Goal related to School-wide Initiatives			
4	3	2	1
Exceeds Goal 5% or above	On Target 4.95 – 4%	Approaching Goal 3.95 – 2.95%	Not on Target 2.9% or below

#### **RELEVANT**

As a result of <u>implementing collaborative relationships</u> with classroom

teachers and promoting high-quality instructional support resources,

SPECIFIC

**ACHIEVABLE** 

student reading and writing scores will increase by a minimum of five

**MEASURABLE** 

**TIME** 

percent as measured by benchmark assessments by the end of the year.



## **Library Program SMART Goal**

Percentage of Students meeting SMART Goal related to School-wide Initiatives			
4	3	2	1
Exceeds Goal 20% or above	On Target 19.8-16%	Approaching Goal 15.8-12.8%	Not on Target 11.6% or below

#### **RELEVANT**

As a result of implementing open library check-out time and

#### **SPECIFIC**

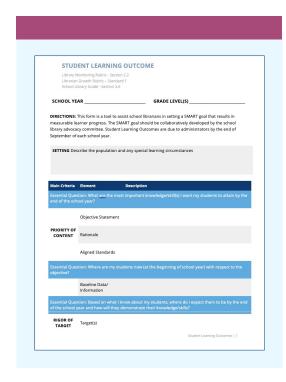
reading promotional programs, the school library circulation will increase

#### ACHIEVABLE TIME MEASURABLE

by 20 percent as measured by end-of-the-year circulation reports.

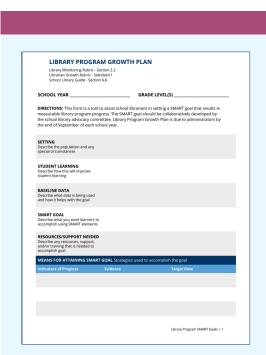


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## **Best Ways to Collect Data**



DO NOT collect items in a box throughout the year.



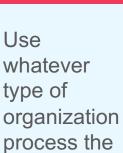
Pictures or photo albums are **NOT** required as evidence.



Using computer files or cloud storage is a great way to organize and store digital documents.



A binder or folder is a great way to collect and organize reports and other information.



helps locate

information

quickly.



## TEACHER INFORMATION Do you have any recommendations for books, periodicals, or electronic resources that should be added to the school library's collection? REMINDERS · Classroom sets cannot be purchased using library funds. Only 5 copies per title can DVDs and CDs must connect to the curriculum standards and meet copyright Mississippi Department of Education SCHOOL LIBRARY PROGRAM

## **Managing Data**

## **Templates**

- Templates have been created to help librarians collect and organize data.
- Each template has a header with the name of the document and connections to resources.

#### **Example**

- Title: Teacher Request Form
- Library Monitoring Rubric: Section 2.2
- Librarian Growth Rubric: Standards 2 and 3
- School Library Guide: Section 3.5



#### **Growth Form**



#### **REMINDER:**

Complete top portion on the *Growth Rubric* for each observation



## **Growth Form**

#### **REMINDER:**

Check collected evidence and rate according to quality of evidence

DOM	IAIN I: INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING		
Outcon	ard 1: Consults with teachers, administrators, and school lib me and School Library Program SMART Goals which plan fo tional services aligned with the Mississippi Learning Standa areer-Readiness Standards.	or and provide necessary resources, technology, and	
Indicate	ors		
4	<ul> <li>Consistently consults with the school library advocacy c</li> <li>Consistently provides high-quality instructional support</li> </ul>	ommittee to develop yearly SMART Goals and materials that align with the school's instructional program	
3	<ul> <li>Frequently consults with the school library advocacy committee to develop yearly SMART Goals and</li> <li>Frequently provides high-quality instructional support materials that align with the school's instructional program</li> </ul>		
2		Sometimes consults with the school library advocacy committee to develop yearly SMART Goals and Sometimes provides high-quality instructional support materials that align with the school's instructional program	
1		Rarely consults with the school library advocacy committee to develop yearly SMART Goals and  Does not provide high-quality instructional support materials that align with the school's instructional program	
Eviden	ce Collected	Examples of Evidence	
		☐ SLO SMART Goals ☐ Program SMART Goals ☐ Agendas and Notes	
		Performance Level	
		☐ Level 4 ☐ Level 3 ☐ Level 2 ☐ Level 1	



# Providing Feedback

Timely and Consistent





## **Providing Feedback**

#### **Observation Timeline**

**August – September:** Student Learning Outcome and Library Program SMART Goals are **REQUIRED** to be collaboratively created by librarian, advocacy committee, and administration.

**January – February:** Library Surveys and Budget Report (Not School Culture School Survey) are **REQUIRED** to be used to help build library's collections and future programs

**March – May:** Inventory can be done throughout the school year and a final report is **REQUIRED** at the end of the year that shows any lost, discarded, or new books



#### **Summative Observation**



A face-to-face conference is **REQUIRED** prior to submitting the Summative Observation Score that should include a discussion regarding goals, budget, and needs of the library program.



## Breakdown

**Explanation of Domains** 





## **Performance Level Descriptors**

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- Fully
- Consistently
- Effective
- Successfully
- All
- Appropriate

3

- Adequate
- Frequently
- Most

2

- Sometimes
- Inadequate
- Few
- Limited

1

- Rarely
- Ineffectively
- Almost no/never
- Does not



#### **Performance Level 4**



- This librarian demonstrates advanced practices, particularly those that foster student usage of resources and the environment.
- In Level 4, a strong community has been created in which teachers and the librarian collaborate to ensure the success of student learning.
- Level 4 practice goes above and beyond the expectations for an effective librarian.



## **Performance Level 4 Definitions**

	Level 4
Fully	This descriptor means that the librarian is enacting the indicator to the furthest extent possible
Consistently	The librarian demonstrates that the indicator is always enacted in the classroom
Effective(ly)	This descriptor signals that the librarian is achieving the desired result at the highest level
Successfully	The descriptor means that the librarian is achieving the desired results
All	The librarian demonstrates that all the students using the library are being well served by instruction and by the services offered
Appropriate	This descriptor refers to the high level of suitability of the action the librarian takes in the circumstances



#### **Performance Level 3**



- This librarian demonstrates effective practices.
- Level 3 is characterized by indirect support while Level 4 is characterized by direct support with the school's instructional program and goals.
- Level 3 practices are **expected of all effective librarians**.



## **Performance Level 3 Definitions**

	Level 3
Adequate(ly)	This descriptor means that the librarian's performance is satisfactory, but does not reach the furthest extent possible (level 4)
Frequently	The librarian demonstrates that the indicator is enacted on many occasions, although there are times when it may not be evident
Most	The librarian demonstrates that most of the students using the library are being well served by instruction and by the services offered



#### **Performance Level 2**



- A librarian demonstrating Level 2 practices is making attempts but does not fully demonstrate effectiveness.
- This librarian has potential to become effective, but requires clear, specific, and actionable feedback to improve his/her practice.
- A librarian whose practice is at Level 2 is a high potential librarian. High-quality feedback is essential in improving his/her practice.



## **Performance Level 2 Definitions**

	Level 2
Sometimes	The librarian demonstrates this indicator occasionally, rather than on a frequent basis
Inadequate(ly)	This descriptor means that the indicator is enacted to a very small extent, and not to the degree needed to score level 3
Few	The librarian demonstrates that a small number (a minority of the students using the library) are being well served by instruction and by the services offered
Limited	The librarian enacts this indicator to either a very small extent, or in very small amounts, or on very few occasions



#### **Performance Level 1**



• This librarian should receive immediate and comprehensive **professional learning and support(s)** designed to address the identified area(s) for growth.

**EXAMPLE:** School librarian should be allowed to attend one of the various school library professional development workshops and conferences throughout the state to become a more effective librarian.

The district can request specific professional development from the MDE School Library program office.



## **Performance Level 1 Definitions**

	Level 1
Rarely	This descriptor means the librarian hardly ever enacts the indicator
Ineffectively	The librarian does not produce the desired results
Almost no/never	This descriptor is used to signal that the librarian hardly ever enacts the indicator
Does not	This descriptor means the librarian does not achieve the desired practice or result



## **Domain I Instructional Planning**

**Standard 1:** Consults with teachers, administrators, and school library advocacy committee to create Student Learning Outcome and School Library Program SMART Goals which plan for and provide necessary resources, technology, and instructional services aligned with the *Mississippi Learning Standards for Libraries* and supports the *Mississippi College-and Career-Readiness Standards*.

#### Indicators

- . Consistently consults with the school library advocacy committee to develop yearly SMART Goals and
- . Consistently provides high-quality instructional support materials that align with the school's instructional program
- Frequently consults with the school library advocacy committee to develop yearly SMART Goals and
  - Frequently provides high-quality instructional support materials that align with the school's instructional program
- Sometimes consults with the school library advocacy committee to develop yearly SMART Goals and
  - . Sometimes provides high-quality instructional support materials that align with the school's instructional program
- Rarely consults with the school library advocacy committee to develop yearly SMART Goals and
  - Does not provide high-quality instructional support materials that align with the school's instructional program

#### **Examples of Evidence**

- ☐ SLO SMART Goals
- ☐ Program SMART Goals
- ☐ Agendas and Notes



## **Domain I Instructional Planning**

**Standard 2:** Plans instruction and provides print and digital resources that meet the diversity of students' backgrounds, cultures, skills, learning levels, language proficiencies, interests, and special needs by working with teachers, administrators, and the school library advocacy committee.

#### Indicators

- Effectively plans instruction and provides resources that
  - Consistently meets the diversity of all students
- Adequately plans instruction and provides resources that
  - Frequently meets the diversity of most students
- Inadequately plans instruction and provides resources that
  - Sometimes meets the diversity of few students
- Rarely plans instruction and provides resources that meets the diversity of any students

#### **Examples of Evidence**

- Surveys or Needs
  Assessments
  (e.g., wish lists)
- ☐ Documentation of Provision (e.g., EL, SPED, 504)
- ☐ Observations



#### **Domain II Collaborative Services**

**Standard 3:** Encourages reading of various forms of literature by developing and maintaining a balanced, comprehensive, diverse, and up-to-date collection of print and digital resources that support the school's instructional program while maintaining an awareness of students' reading interests and providing guidance in the selection grade-appropriate materials.

#### Indicators

- Consistently maintains awareness of all students' reading interests and
  - Provides effective guidance on appropriate reading selection to encourage all students to read
- Frequently maintains awareness of most students' reading interests and
  - Provides adequate guidance on appropriate reading selection to encourage most students to read
- Sometimes maintains awareness of few students' reading interests and
  - Provides inadequate guidance on appropriate reading selection to encourage few students to read
- Rarely maintains awareness of any students' reading interests and
  - Provides almost no guidance on appropriate reading selection to encourage any students to read

#### **Examples of Evidence**

- ☐ Holdings Report
  (includes usage, circulation, and copyright information)
- ☐ Library Budget and Expenditures
- ☐ Observations



#### **Domain II Collaborative Services**

**Standard 4:** Collaboratively plans and teaches engaging inquiry-based informational and digital literacy lessons that incorporate multiple literacies and foster critical thinking as an integral part of the *Mississippi Learning Standards for Libraries* and the *Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards*.

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#### **Domain II Collaborative Services**

**Standard 5:** Provides training and assistance to students and teachers in the use of print and digital library resources, equipment, copyright and fair use, and emerging technologies to support teaching and learning.

#### **Indicators** Provides appropriate training and assistance to all students and teachers in the use of resources, technology, and equipment Provides adequate training and assistance to most students and teachers in the use of resources, technology, and equipment **Examples of Evidence** Provides limited training and assistance to most students and teachers in the use of resources, technol ■ Documentation of Training or equipment Assistance (e.g. library orientation, research project support, PLC or faculty Provides almost no training and assistance to any students and teachers in the use of resources, techn meeting agendas) equipment Observations



## **Domain III Library Environment**

**Standard 6:** Organizes the library resources and ensures equitable physical access to facilities while demonstrating high expectations and maintaining an environment that is inviting, safe, flexible, and conducive to teaching and learning.

#### **Indicators** Effectively organizes the library facilities for easy access and Does demonstrate high expectations for all students and teachers Appropriately organizes the library facilities for easy access and 3 Does demonstrate high expectations for **most** students and teachers **Examples of Evidence** Inadequately organizes the library facilities for limited access and ☐ Meeting the requirements set Does demonstrate high expectations for **most** students and teachers forth in Section 6.7 in the current MS School Library Rarely/does not organize the library facilities for any access and Guide Does not demonstrate high expectations for any students and teachers Observations



## **Domain III Library Environment**

**Standard 7:** Resources are selected according to the principles of the *School Library Bill of Rights* and *Intellectual Freedom* and provides access to information in consideration to students' needs, abilities, and diversity.

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## **Domain IV Professional Responsibilities**

**Standard 8:** Maintains effective, positive communication with the students and staff regarding library programs, resources, and services while advocating for the school library program in the school community.

#### **Indicators** Consistently communicates to all students and teachers and Consistently advocates for the school library program Frequently communicates to most students and teachers and 3 Frequently advocates for the school library program **Examples of Evidence** Sometimes communicates to few students and teachers and ☐ Examples of Communication Sometimes advocates for the school library program (e.g., newsletters, library website, emails, or communication through Does not communicate to any students and teachers about and social media or learning Does not advocate for the school library program management systems)



## **Domain IV Professional Responsibilities**

**Standard 9:** Participates in appropriate professional learning opportunities and/or belongs to professional library organizations to increase knowledge and skills in providing effective support for the school library and instructional programs.

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# Wrap-Up Talk

What other resources do you need to feel secure about the growth rubric?





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