

# The Weekly Update

from SD State Library School Library Services

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## Do you have a solid collection development policy?

If you've been paying attention to the news lately, you've probably already started thinking about your library's collection development policy. If you don't have one in place or it's time to update your policy, SDSL is here to help with a School Library Collection Development Framework.

Although each school, district, and system is unique and must reflect the mission and goals of the local community, school library improvement operates most efficiently with a plan, policies that further that plan, and procedures that implement those policies. This framework is an outline of best practices for districts to use and adapt to their local needs. It is intended as a guide to be built upon and revised as required by the changing needs of the future ready school community it serves.

I have also started to curate a collection of current policies for your reference. Click the links below.



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## SCHOOL LIBRARY COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

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## Example Collection Development Policies

### The School Library Scoop with Scottie

**Episode 6 of the School Library Scoop with Scottie shows you how to begin creating virtual displays for your school library!**

The Scoop is a new platform for short tutorials on school library services, technology tips and trends, and so much more. If you have suggestions or requests for future topics, please click the "Topic Suggestions" button below. Past episodes can be viewed on [SDSL's YouTube Channel](#).

#### School Library Scoop with Scottie: Ep6 Virtual Displays



[HERE IS THE LINK](#) to the virtual accessories document!

[CLICK HERE](#) for another great guide on creating virtual displays!

[CHECK OUT THIS LINK](#) to view Scottie's virtual displays from 2020-2021!

## Topic Suggestions



### Save the Date for ExCITE!

ExCITE! (formerly School Library Boot Camp) is an annual professional development opportunity for South Dakota librarians and educators. The SD State Library partners with Black Hills State University to offer ExCITE! for undergraduate or graduate credit. This two credit course can be applied to the Library Methods requirement of the BHSU School Library Media minor and the SD DOE Library Media endorsement. It can also be used for teacher renewal.

LSTA federal funding through the Institute of Museum and Library Services provides speakers, resources, and full-tuition scholarships for attendees.

Each year brings a new theme, new personal connections, and new learning. Join us during **the month of July** where we will explore Information Literacy in a fully on-line course. Registration will open in Spring 2022.

**EXCITE!**  
Exchange. Create. Infuse. Transform. Energize.



1 Genrefication Resource (click the pic)



# THINK TEENS DON'T READ ANYMORE?

# OF BOOKS CHECKED OUT DURING THE  
FIRST MONTH OF THE SCHOOL YEAR AT  
GVHS LIBRARY!

This is  
when we  
genre-fied!

September 2017 - 178 books checked out

September 2018 - 177 books checked out

September 2019 - 848 books checked out

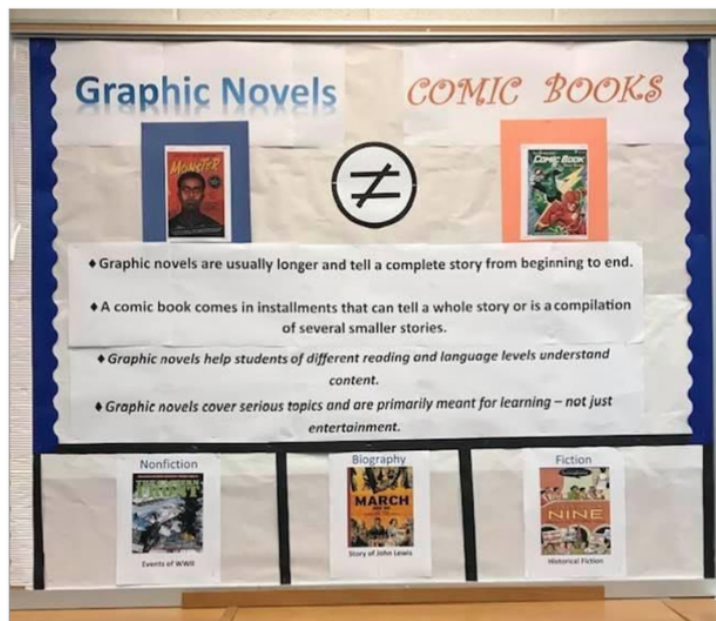
September 2020 - 640 books checked out

September 2021 - **1428 books checked out**

This is when  
we were  
virtual

## 800% INCREASE!

2 Ways to Promote Graphic Novels



### How do Graphic Novels Support Readers?

- 1) **Motivation:** Graphic novels use engaging graphics, current topics, and innovative style to grab readers' attention and motivate them to read more.
- 2) **Scaffolding:** "Graphic Novels merge text with visible representations of meaning." (Reading in the Wild, page 173) Picture support helps students to learn new vocabulary and illustrates what their mental images could be.
- 3) **Award-winning:** These aren't just comic books. Graphic novels have won the Pulitzer prize, Hugo Award and Printz Award and been short listed for the National Book Award.
- 4) **A new genre:** All readers can learn something new from reading a story in this format.

Credits:  
These ideas are from Reading in the Wild by Donalyn Miller.  
Clip Art is from Graphics From the Pond, Scrappy Readers.  
The font is Patrick Hand, free to download from Google Drive

## 3 Great Programs from SDSL Children & Youth Services



Girls Who Code



Transforming  
Teen Services



NASA @ My  
Library



## NEW SD School Library Facebook Group!

The SD State Library's Collect + Connect Facebook Group is for SD School Librarians! Join to share your ideas and photos, ask your questions, reach out for advice, and discuss all of the awesomeness that happens in your library!



Join our School Library Facebook Group!



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The Weekly Update is a correspondence from the South Dakota State Library focusing on current topics in school libraries, best practices, resources, professional development, and more.

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