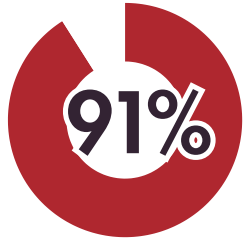


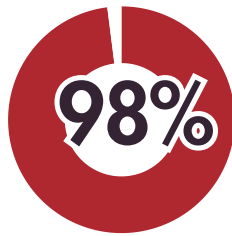
2025-26 SD SCHOOL LIBRARIES Facts & Stats

*at a glance

*DATA FROM 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR



DISTRICTS
have a
school library*



STUDENTS
attend a district
with at least one
school library*

24
ITEMS

checked out per student

4,276

classes visited school
libraries every week

81% OF
STUDENTS

checked out at least one
book during the school year

5,746
STUDENTS

visited school libraries
independently every day

SCHOOL LIBRARIES:

PROVIDE RESOURCES

FOR INSTRUCTION

94%
BOOKS

64%
VIDEOS

63%
SDSL
e-Resources

52%
online
learning tools

47%
e-Books

46%
Other e-
Resources

41%
Makerspace
Tools

100%
Access to SDSL
Research Databases

PROVIDE PROGRAMS

that link literacy to students' interests

82%

THEMATIC
DISPLAYS &
BULLETIN
BOARDS

76%

LOCAL, STATE,
AND NATIONAL
READING
PROGRAMS

61%

ELL, SPED, AND
MULTICULTURAL
RESOURCES

54%
BOOK FAIRS

49%
PARTNER WITH
PUBLIC LIBRARY

44%
MAKERSPACES
AND STEM

34%
BOOK/SPECIAL
INTEREST CLUBS

18%
AFTERSCHOOL
PROGRAMS

21%
AUTHOR/ARTIST
PROGRAMS

PROVIDE SPACES

for all learning styles & needs

61%

Virtual Space for
Programs

71%

Individual Study Spaces

74%

Meeting Room Functions

93%

Classroom Instruction

98%

Small Group Instruction

SCHOOL LIBRARIANS:

ARE COLLABORATORS

83%

Utilize South Dakota School
Library Guidelines

83%

Teach South Dakota school
library standards

79%

collaborate & teach with
classroom teachers

ARE TEACHERS



CREATE
reading
promotion



TEACH
library
skills



TEACH
information
literacy



TEACH
research
skills



TEACH
textual
literacy



CO-TEACH
lessons with
teachers

DATA FROM THE 2026 SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL LIBRARY SURVEY.