



SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL LIBRARIES  
**Data Digest**  
**2012**

# Literacy & Research

School libraries in the 21st Century provide three essential elements to engage and prepare students for college, career, and life readiness!

A professional, a program, and a place all work together to integrate and deliver the instruction and resources necessary to meet the literacy and research demands of the Common Core State Standards as well as the South Dakota School Library Content Standards.

The 2011-2012 data that follows reflects 100% participation of the 219 public school districts, state special schools, non-public school systems, and tribal/Bureau of Indian Education school systems

surveyed. Of the total surveyed, 180 report at least one school library, or 82%.

South Dakota's school libraries serve the literacy and research needs of student populations from as large as 22,833 to as small as 27. Added together the libraries of all types of districts/school systems instruct and support a total student population of 138,758 as well as their staff and administration.



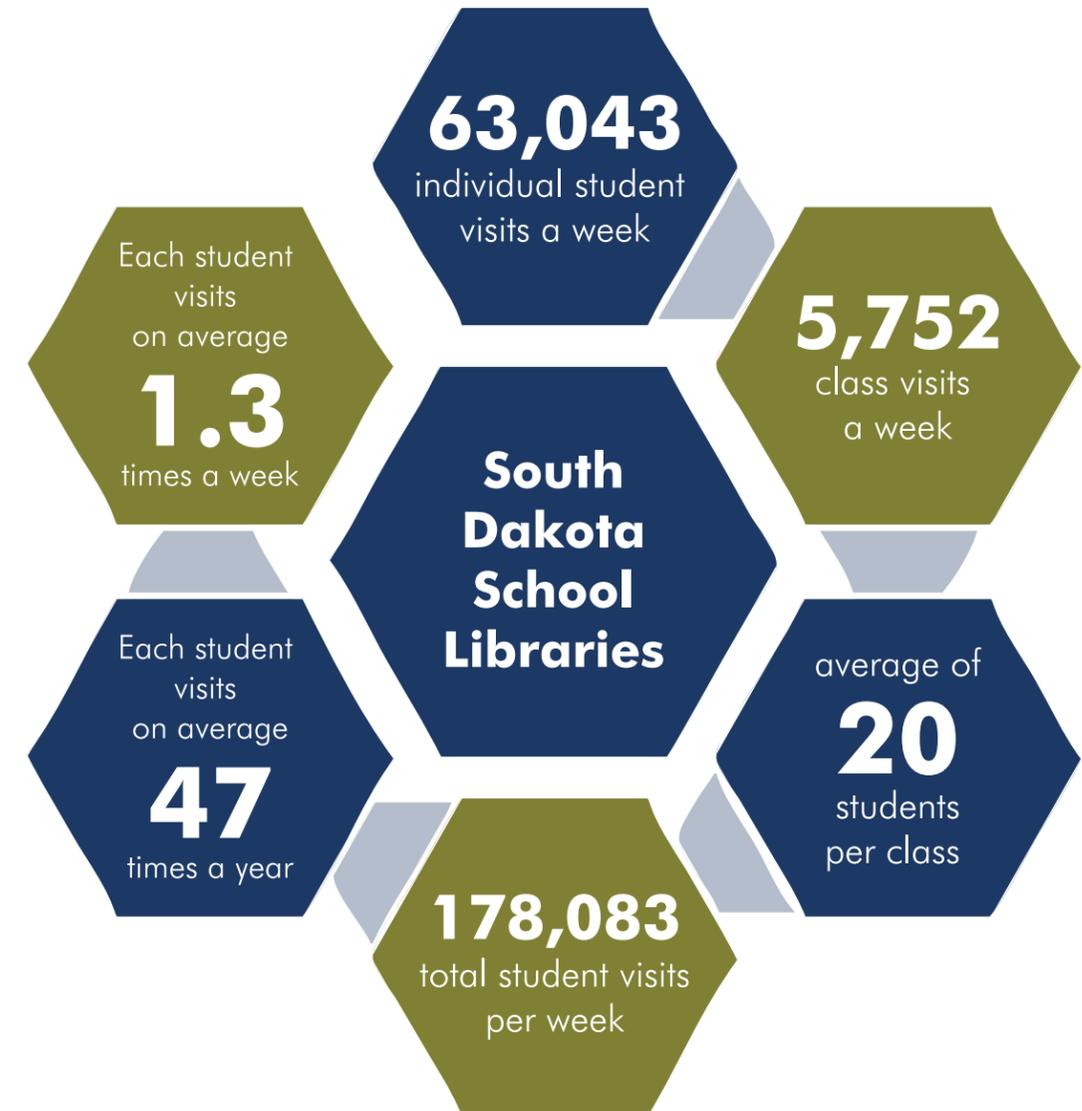
## South Dakota School Libraries in School Districts / Systems

**Public Districts**  
321 school libraries  
in 145 school districts  
out of 152 total school districts

**Non-Public School Systems**  
36 school libraries  
in 21 school systems  
out of 45 total school systems

**Tribal/BIE School Systems**  
16 school libraries  
in 13 school systems  
out of 20 total school systems

**Special School Systems**  
1 school library  
out of 2 total school systems



# SHAZAM!

## TRANSFORMATION OF THE 21ST CENTURY SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

**BOOT CAMP**



"It was a great experience! Thanks for all your hard work preparing this camp. I have already let the rest of the district's library staff know they missed a great opportunity!"

--Librarian, School Library Boot Camp

The 2011-2012 school year brought an increased focus on the development of the 21st Century school library and its role in the Common Core State Standards. The school librarian is a key team member in guiding students to success. Professional development centered on teacher-librarians, library paraprofessionals, classroom teachers, technology specialists, and administrators via three new projects: Common Core Literacy Lessons, School Library Chats, and School Library Boot Camp.



"I HAVE LEARNED A LOT IN EVERY SESSION. I HAVE SO MUCH TO TAKE BACK THAT I DON'T POSSIBLY HAVE TIME TO IMPLEMENT IT ALL."

--Library Paraprofessional, School Library Boot Camp

### QUICK FACTS

**School Library Boot Camp 2012:**

- BHSU undergraduate/graduate course held on campus in Spearfish
- Co-teachers Daria Bossman (SDSL), Scott Ahola (BHSU), with guest instructors
- Visited Spearfish's newest library at Creekside Elementary School with librarian Dianne Hemminger

"LIBRARIANS ARE MUCH MORE THAN SHHHHH!!!!!"

--Technology Specialist, School Library Boot Camp



"IT WAS JUST INTERESTING TO HEAR OTHER LIBRARIANS' OPINIONS ON THE TOPICS DISCUSSED."

--Librarian, School Library Chats

"I missed the first two, but I won't make that mistake again, as, I found the one that I did attend to be very informative and helpful."

--Librarian, School Library Chats

"I love how nice it is to all get together and talk in "real-time" ... without having to do any traveling!"

--Librarian, School Library Chats

### QUICK FACTS

**Common Core Literacy Lessons:**

- USD online graduate course
- Co-teachers Marta Stirling, Mary G. Johnson, Joan Upell, with guest instructors
- Librarians and teachers worked as collaborative partners

"...I always thought of the library as just a place to check out books, but soon found out that there is so much more... Most of it [the class], however, was new information which broadened my vision and knowledge. It was fun collaborating with the librarian and sharing ideas during and after the webinars. Taking the class with someone else helped me to process the information through discussion. The information presented to us helped us come up with new ideas and things we can try."

--Teacher, Common Core Literacy Lessons

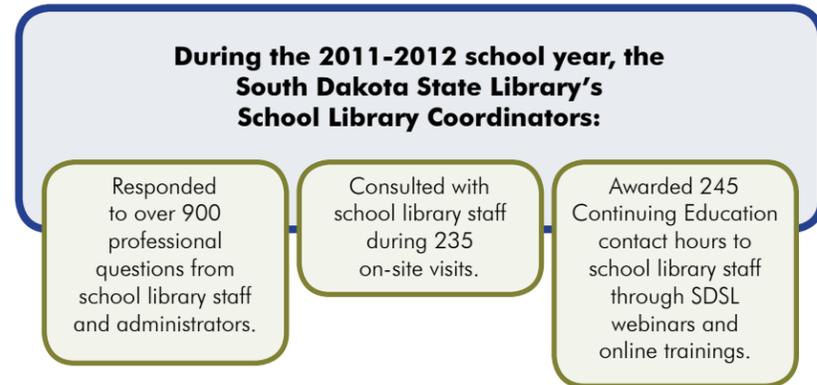
"I really thought the course was well thought out and well planned...I just want to say thanks for the great learning experience! I found this course very informative and interesting. It challenged me to use skills that I feel will benefit me as we integrate the Common Core Standards into the classroom. The instructors were extremely informative and helpful. I learned numerous skills to make me more comfortable working with and using the Common Core Standards..."

--Librarian, Common Core Literacy Lessons



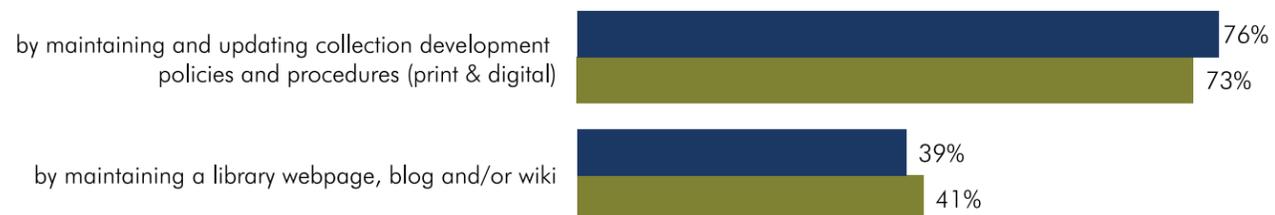
# Leadership for Learning

School librarians are teachers, managers, and leaders in both the physical and virtual library spaces. The South Dakota School Library Guidelines outline best practices for a 21st Century school library professional at <http://library.sd.gov>.



## A two-year comparison of School Librarians

### MANAGING



### TEACHING



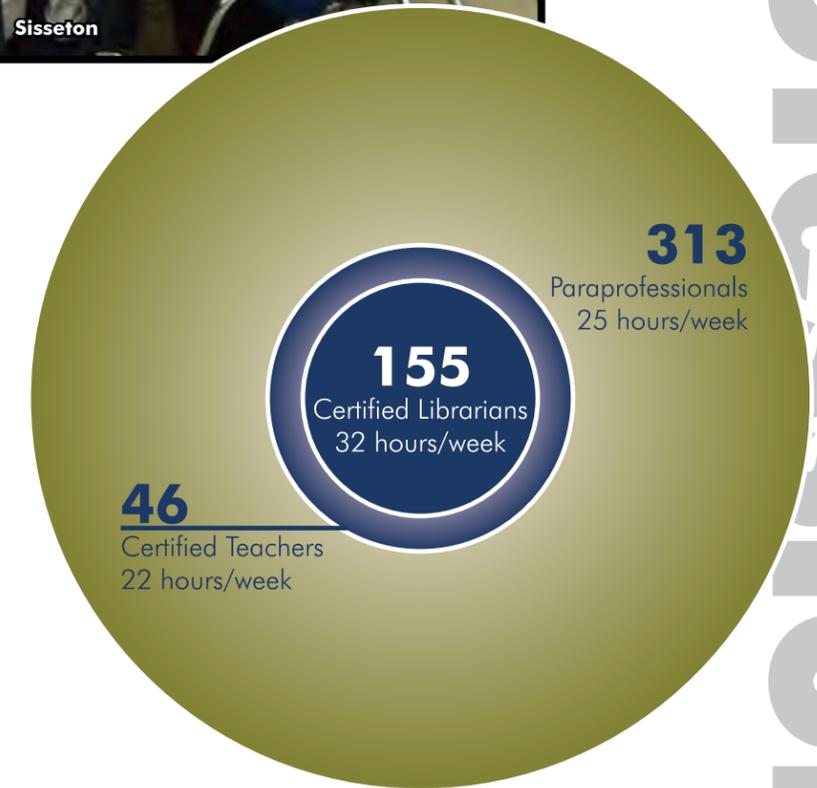
### LEADING



■ 2011-12  
■ 2010-11

"Clearly, the studies confirm that quality school library programs with full-time, certified librarians and library support staff are indicative of and critical to student achievement."

School Library Research Summarized, School Library & Information Technologies Department, Mansfield University, Mansfield, PA, 2011.



## Taking a look at... SD's School Libraries

	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
<b>Certified Librarians</b>	167	172	155
<b>School Libraries</b>	380	369	374
<b>Districts / Systems</b>	183	176	180
<b>Survey Response</b>	95%	98%	100%

Professional Information

# Learning & Teaching

School libraries provide resources for learning and teaching in all formats across all content areas. Instruction in the areas of research, multiple literacies, and ethical participation ensure that students and staff have the information they need for the task at hand. In the words of one South Dakota school librarian, "We teach them how to plan it, find it, evaluate it, cite it, share it, prove it, present it, and assess it."



**138,758** students  
served by South Dakota's school libraries

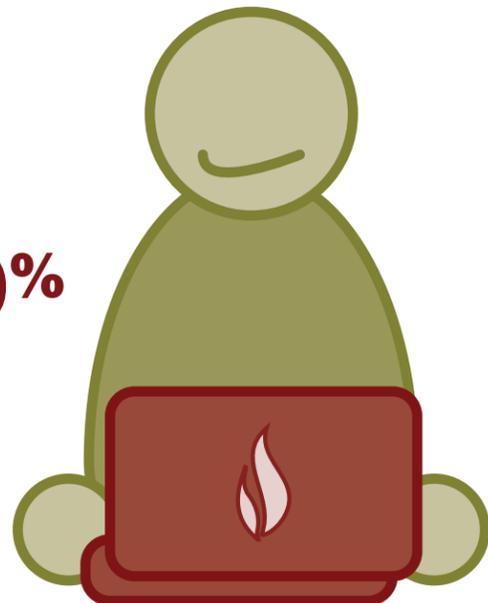
South Dakota students checked out a total of  
**6,091,688** items  
from their school libraries

**121,792** students  
checked out at least one item from their school library

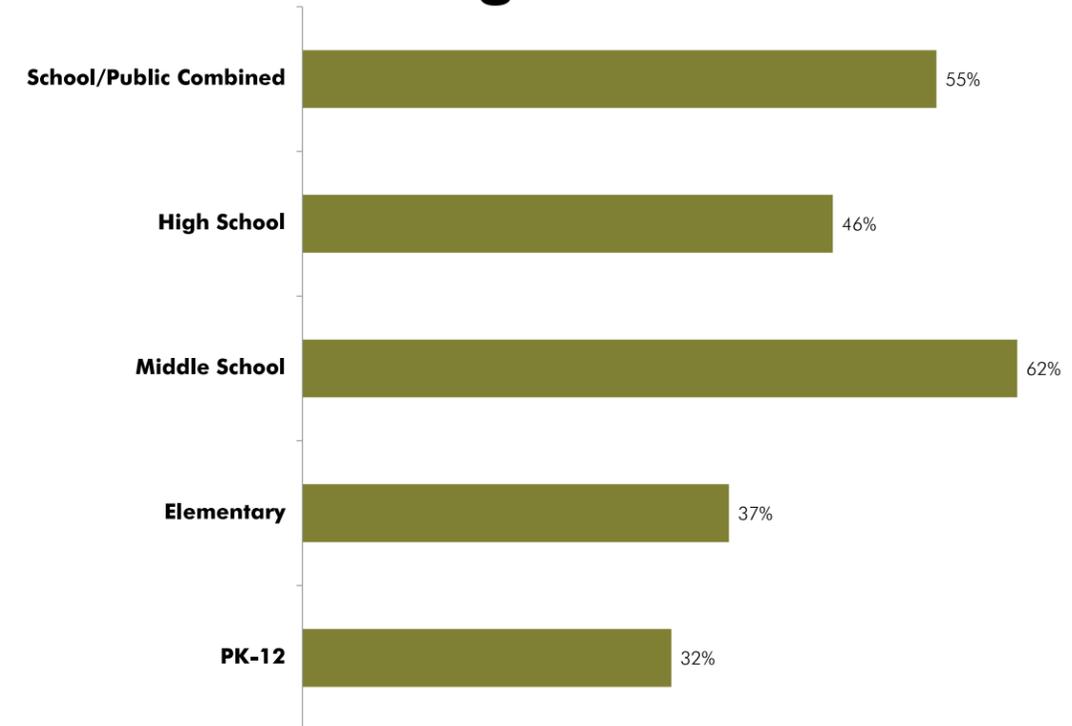


South Dakota students have access to subscription **online resources** provided by the South Dakota State Library **100%**

**42%** South Dakota school districts / systems subscribe to online resources **in addition** to those provided by the South Dakota State Library



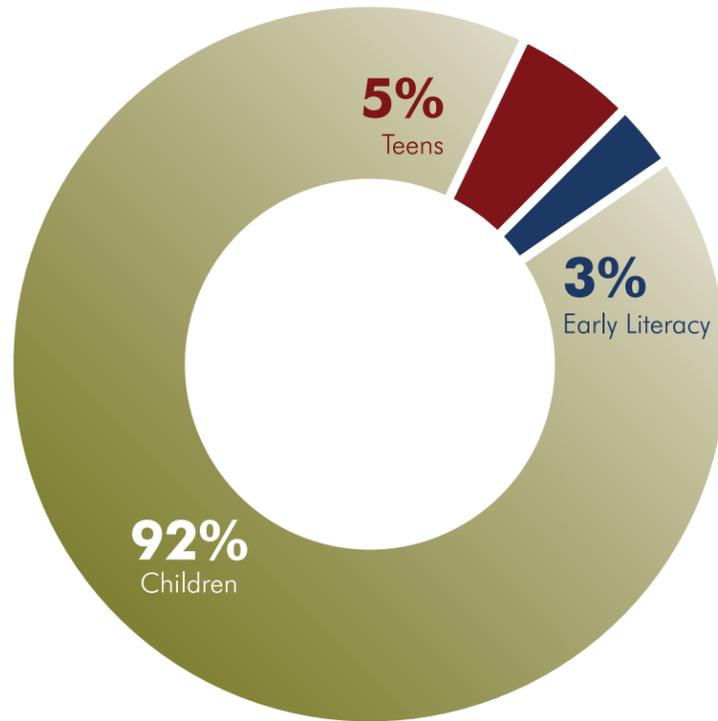
## School Libraries with 24/7 Online Catalog Access



## Each Day SD School Libraries...



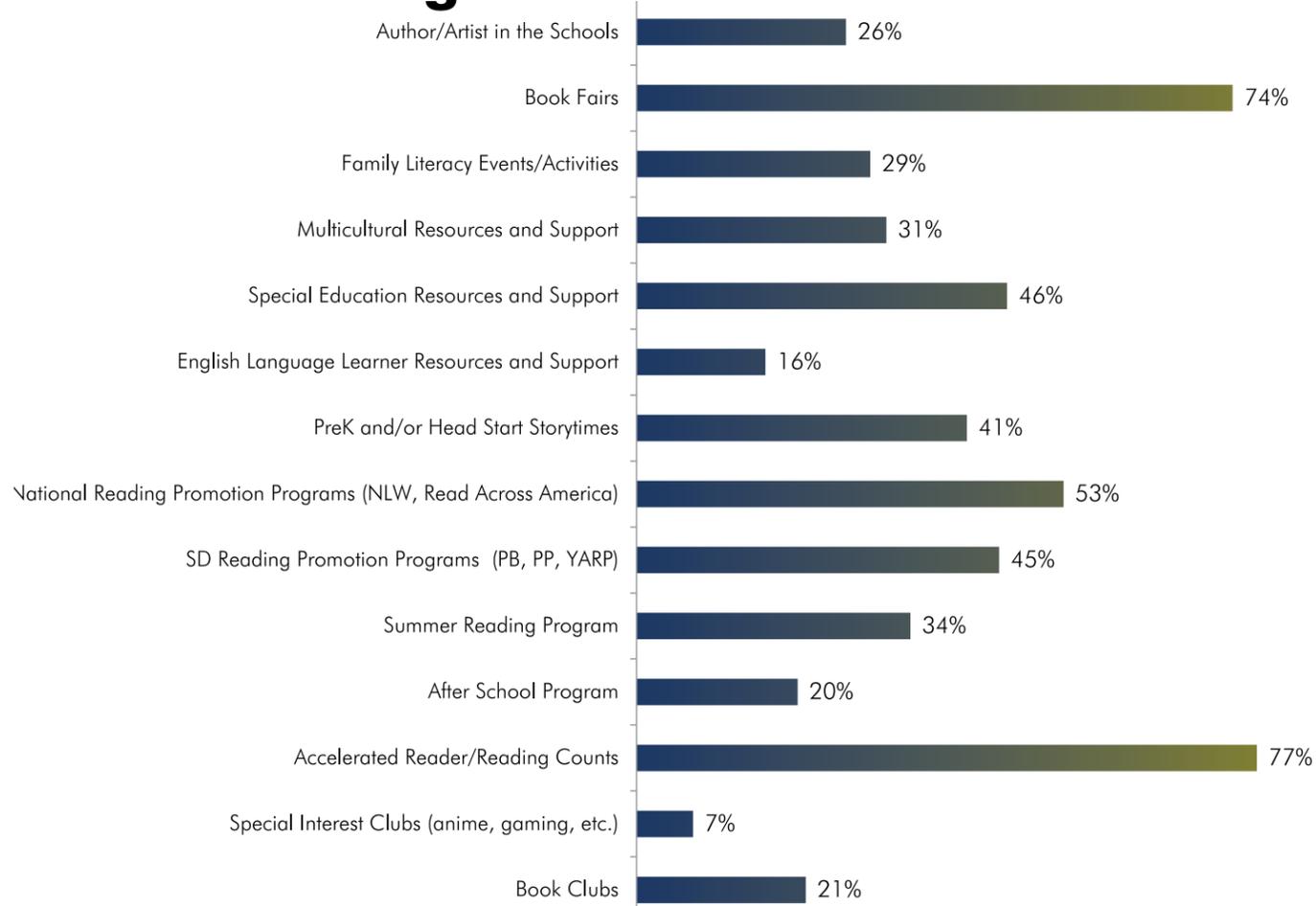
PROGRAM



### Student Participation in Summer Reading

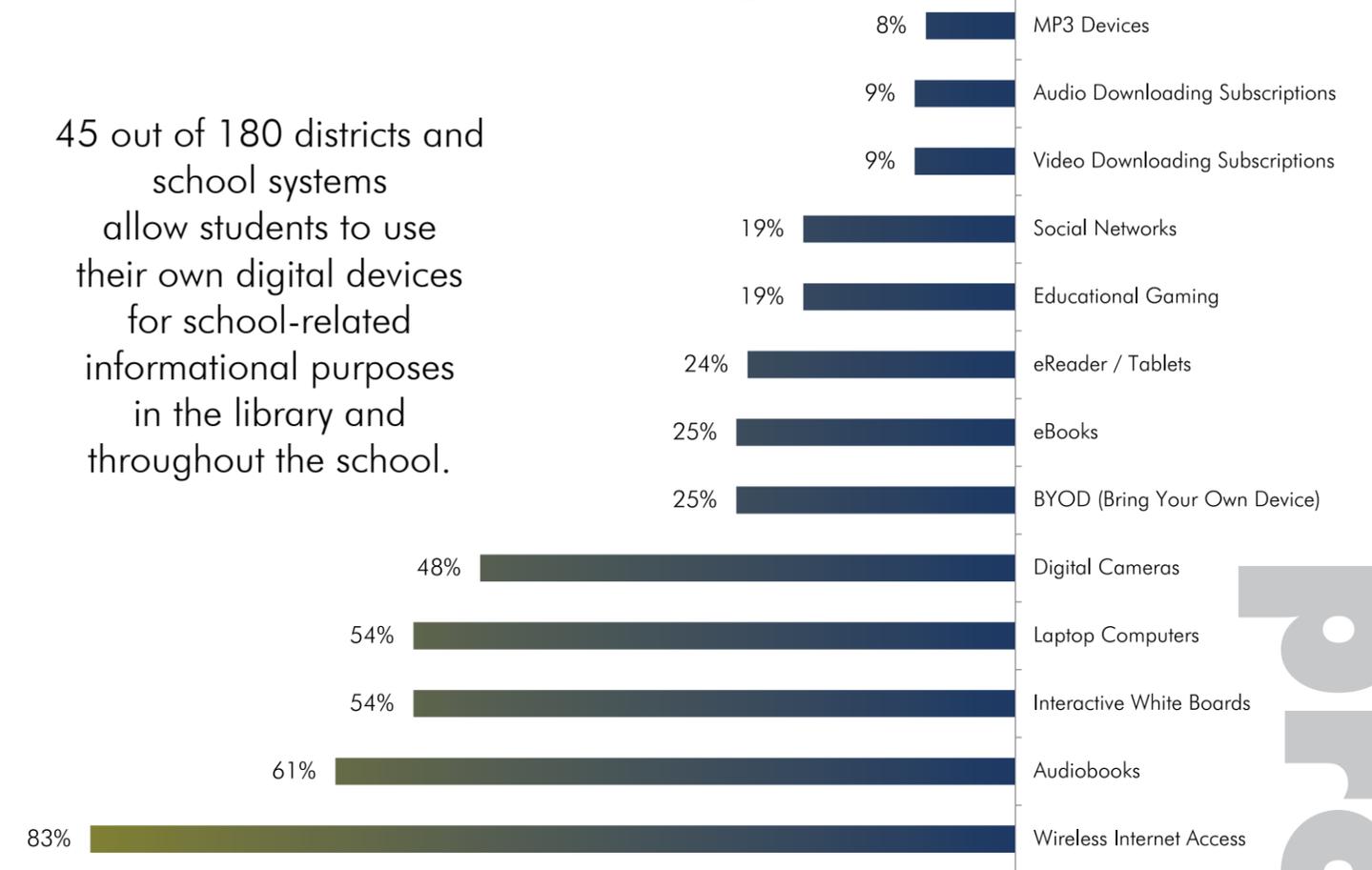
In addition to the 34% of districts/school systems who offer summer reading programs to their students, 89 public libraries and 3 school libraries report serving 62,609 students through the 2012 Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) coordinated by the South Dakota State Library.

### Events & Programs



### Available at South Dakota School Libraries Technology Tools & Resources

45 out of 180 districts and school systems allow students to use their own digital devices for school-related informational purposes in the library and throughout the school.



Program

# Learning Environment

School libraries provide access to both a physical and virtual learning environment. These spaces provide for many activities which help students learn how to learn. School librarians and classroom teachers guide students in communicating, collaborating, critical thinking, and creating locally and globally.

Small Group Collaboration

98%

Classroom Instruction  
Co-Teaching

90%

Large Group Events

64%

Storytime Presentations

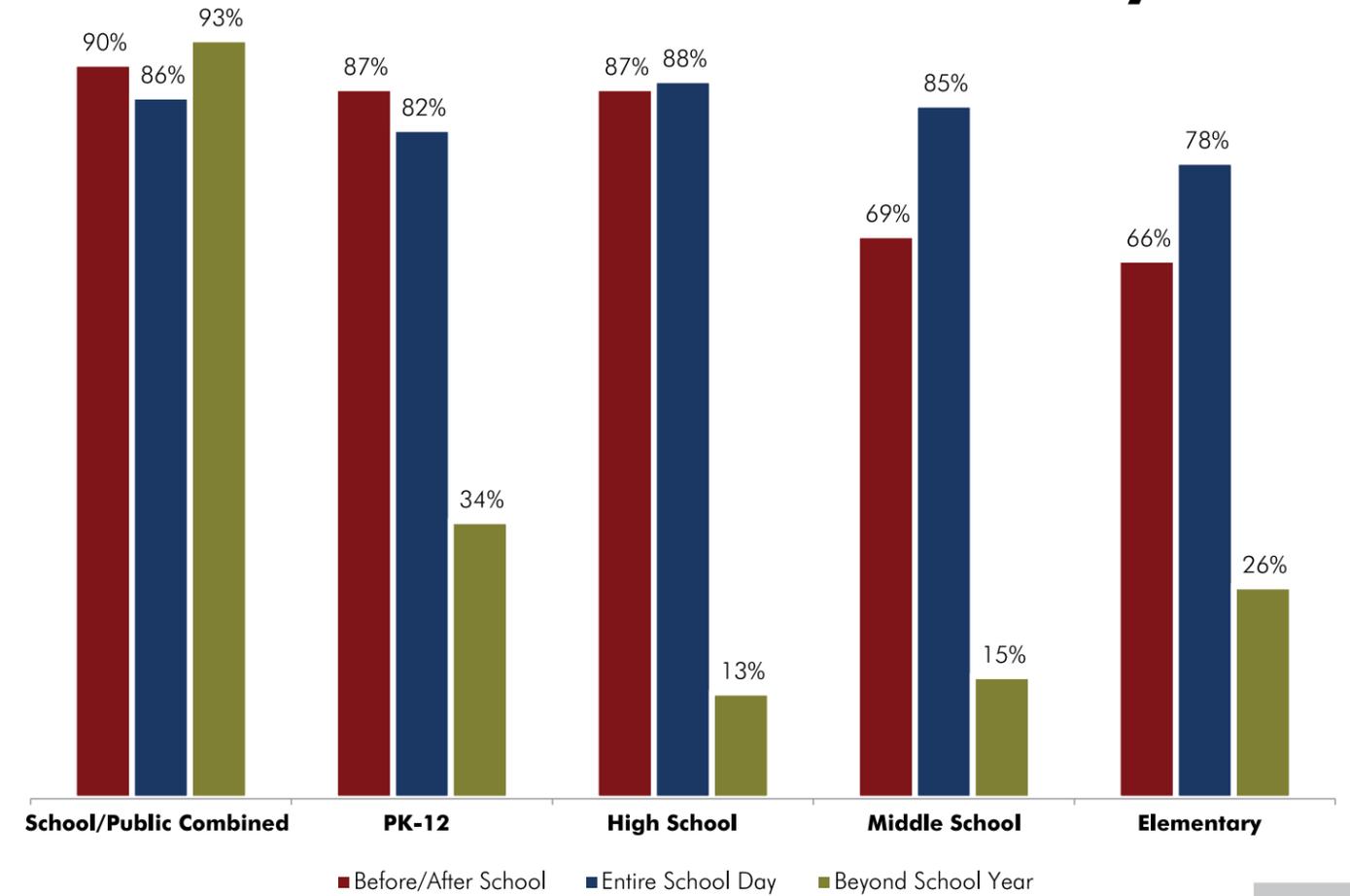
96%

Individual Research  
Reading

99%



## Library Hours



**72**  
PK-12  
School Libraries

**167**  
Elementary  
School Libraries

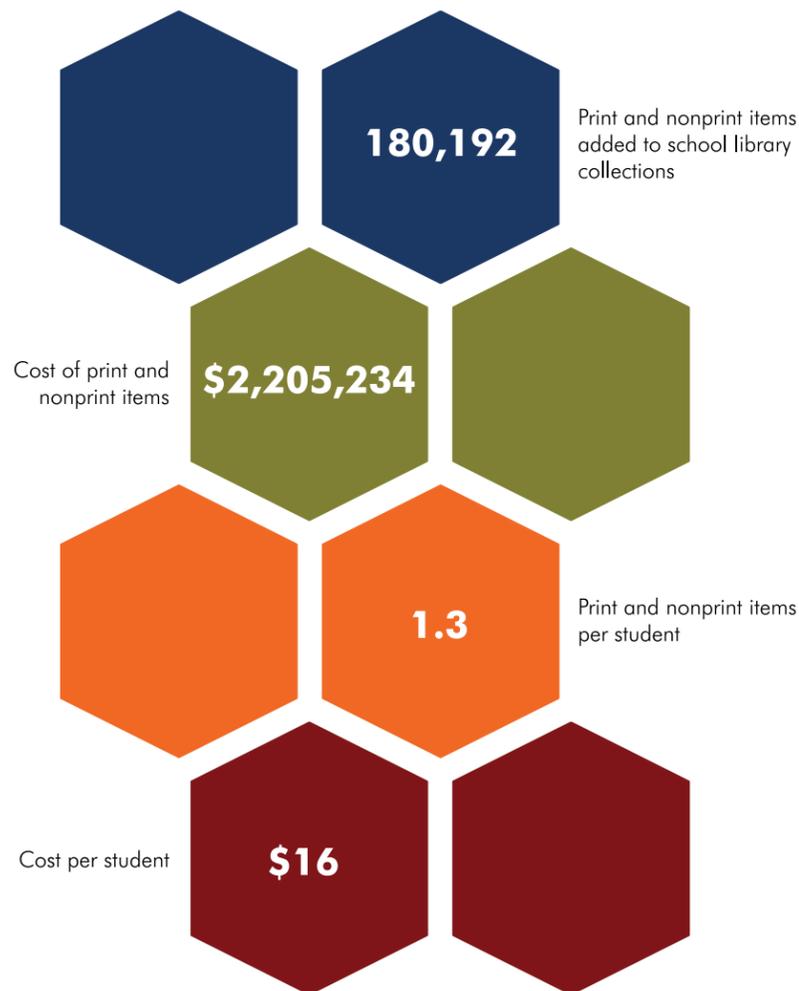
**35**  
MS/ Jr High  
Libraries

**70**  
High  
School Libraries

**30**  
Combo  
Libraries

# College, Career & Life Ready

## Did You Know?



“Americans spend over 18 times as much money on home video games (18.6 billion) as they do on school library materials for their children (1 billion).”

Quotable Facts about America’s Libraries, ALA Office for Research & Statistics, ALA Public Information Office. All facts compiled in 2012.

**COMPARE \$16/YEAR SPENT PER STUDENT on SD school library materials to:**

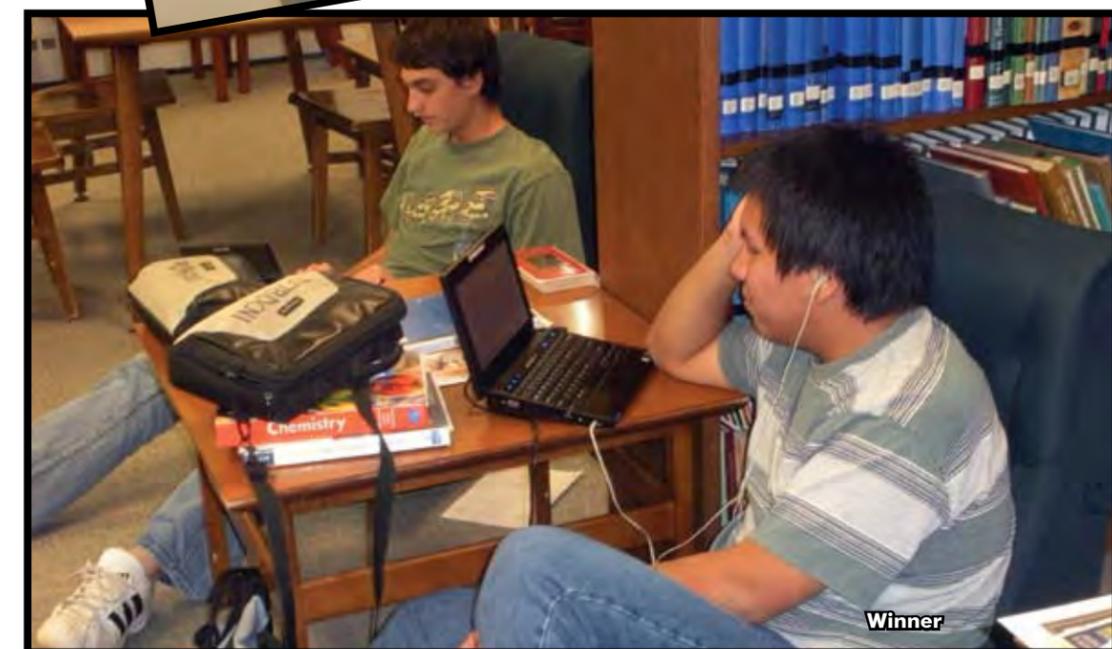
- Amazon Prime: \$79/ year
- Netflix or Hulu: \$95/ year
- Sirius XM: \$199/ year

According to prices listed in 2012 from amazon.com, netflix.com, hulu.com, siriusxm.com.



“Americans go to school, public and academic libraries more than three times more often than they go to the movies.”

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The information in this digest reflects the activity of school libraries in public school districts, nonpublic school systems, tribal/BIE schools, and state special schools. State data comprises information collected and submitted via the 2011-2012 South Dakota School Library Survey. The South Dakota State Library has your school library statistics available for access in Bibliostat's CONNECT at <http://connect.informata.com>.

If you have questions or need your login and password, call the State Library at 1-800-423-6665; or contact the school library coordinators, Joan Upell ([joan.upell@state.sd.gov](mailto:joan.upell@state.sd.gov)) or Mary G. Johnson ([mary.johnson@state.sd.gov](mailto:mary.johnson@state.sd.gov)).

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