School Library Profiles - 2011-2012 School Year

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This report covers the research findings from the three Colorado School Library Impact Studies as well as those reported in Fast Facts Nos. 180 and 287 from the Library Research Service, which show that CSAP reading scores increase with improvements in school library programs. Various predictors of academic achievement are reported for the school and its peers. Note that these predictors cannot be explained away by school or community differences. For more information visit:

http://www.lrs.org/data-tools/school-libraries/impact-studies/
http://www.lrs.org/documents/fastfacts/180NRSxIL.pdf
http://www.lrs.org/documents/fastfacts/287_CO3_Staffing_Test_Scores.pdf

The data reported here reflects your school's responses to the Annual Colorado School Library Survey.

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Grade Level: Combined
Enrollment Range: 500 - 699

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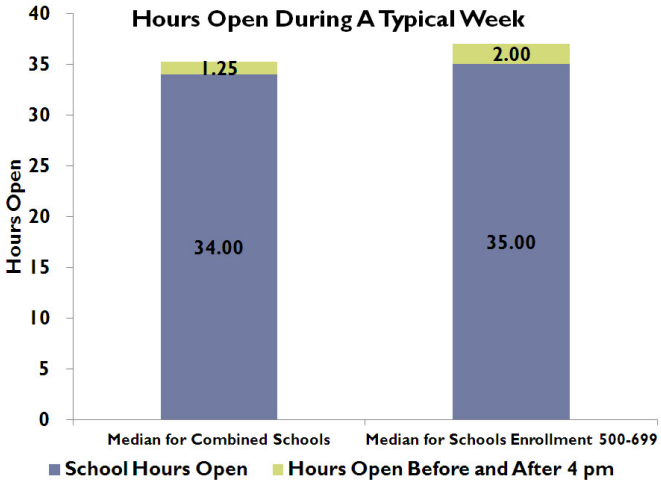
Weekly Service Levels

School Library Visits per Week

	Your School	Comb. Schools Med.	Med. for Schools 500-699 Students
Ind. Student Visits	70	145	245
Visits per Student	0.14	0.62	0.38
Class/Group Visits	16	15	23

Choosing to visit the school library as an individual, separate from a class visit, is a strong indicator of higher test scores.



When access to school libraries is scheduled flexibly, reading scores improve 13-22%. Flexible scheduling allows students to visit the school library individually.

School Library Hours Open Per Week

	Your School
School Hours Open	38.0
Hours Open Before and After School	3.0

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School Library Program Development

School Library Collection

	Your School	Comb. Schools Med.	Med. for Schools 500-699 Students
Number of Books	15,100	8,420	10,552
Books per Student	30	26	19
Print Subscriptions	0	12	9
Subs. per 100 Students	0	4.4	1.5

Schools with well-developed school library programs average higher reading scores. Well-developed programs are indicated by staffing level, collection size and age, and expenditures.

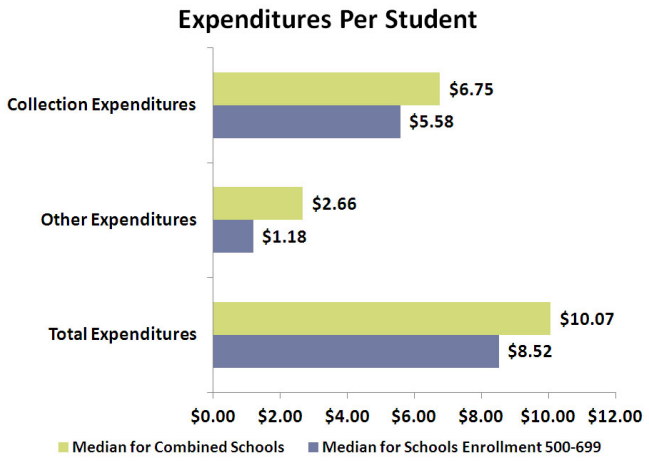
Computers per 100 Students

	Your School	Comb. Schools Med.	Med. for Schools 500-699 Students
Library Computers w/Access to Resources	1.6	18.0	30.0
Other School Computers w/Access to Resources	26.4	85.0	100.0

* Note: For the purposes of this profile, the terms "School Library" and "Library Media Center" are equivalent. To maintain consistency, this profile uses the term "School Library."

Operating Expenses

CSAP reading test scores increase with increases in:
- **School Library staff hours per 100 Students**
- **Print volumes per student**
- **Periodical subscriptions per 100 students**
- **Electronic reference titles per 100 students**
- **School Library Expenditures per student**



Annual Operating Budget

	Your School
Operating budget allocation from school or district	0.00
Budget obtained from additional funding sources	2500.00
Total operating budget	2500.00