

Characteristics of High-Performing Media Programs

Media Center is Staffed Throughout the Instructional Day

(certified media specialist, support staff)

Media Center is Flexibly Scheduled

(accessible to both classes and individuals at the time of need)

Media Center Resource Access Extends Beyond the School Day

(extended hours, online catalog, eBooks, selected websites)

Teachers Are Trained by the Media Specialist

(group workshops, individual training)

Teachers Collaborate with the Media Specialist

(collaborative lessons, integrated information literacy skills)

Information Literacy Skills Are Taught to Students

(research process, problem solving, accessing information)

Media Collection Has an Abundant Variety of Current Resources

(new materials, weeding is ongoing, variety of genres, high interest)

Students Self-Select Books

(selection driven by interest, guided by reading level)