

Hello;

I am a School Counselor at Laurel High School. It was brought to my attention that OPI is looking into staffing the public-school Library's differently in the near future. In my opinion, this would be a mistake. This would take a very valuable resource away from each and every school in Montana.

I can attest to how important it is to have a Librarian in **EVERY** school in our district. The services they provide are incredible. Not only are they Librarians; but they also proctor Montana Digital Academy school work, they aid classroom teachers by organizing information to be available to their class, they distribute Chromebooks and chargers to every student in our school, and they are very important in helping students with finding information for academic work. It would be wrong to remove a Librarian from any school in the State of Montana.

If you have questions or concerns, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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