

WHAT IS A TEACHER-LIBRARIAN?

The role of the teacher-librarian includes:

- Instruction (i.e. literacy and reading promotion, inquiry-centred and resource-based),
- Library management,
- Leadership and collaboration,
- Community engagement, and,
- The promotion of library services.¹

Instruction

Locally developed resources that elaborate on this aspect:

- *The Points of Inquiry: A Framework for Information Literacy and the 21st Century Learner*²
<http://bctf.ca/bctla/pub/documents/points%20of%20inquiry/pointsofinquiry.pdf>
- *Ethics of Information Use*
<http://bctf.ca/bctla/pub/posters/honestyposter.pdf> (French version available)

Library Management and Leadership and Collaboration

Locally developed resources that elaborate on these aspects:

- *School Library to Library Learning Commons: A Pro-Active Model for Educational Change*
<http://bctf.ca/bctla/info/learningcommons.html>



Community Engagement and Promotion of Library Services

Locally developed examples of these aspects:

- Drop Everything and Read and Love Your School Library Day
<http://bctf.ca/bctla/info/advocacy.html>
- BCTLA Awards and Grants
<http://bctf.ca/bctla/info/awards.html>

Resources Demonstrating All Aspects of the Role in Practice in BC Schools

- BCTLA Conference Workshop and Session Materials
<http://bctf.ca/bctla/conference/index.html>
- BCTLA Professional Learning Options and Materials
<http://bctf.ca/bctla/info/pro-dev.html>
Topics include, for example: technology, digital literacy, makerspaces, reading, participatory learning, curation, learning resources, etc.

Local Teacher-Librarian Role and Policy Resources

- SD23 Central Okanagan Policy 532 – Library Learning Commons (2016)
<http://www.sd23.bc.ca/board/policies/section%205%20%20instructional%20oprograms/532.pdf>
- The Role and Responsibilities of Teacher-Librarians - Vancouver School District (2008)
<http://tspecial.pbworks.com/w/file/50081661/roles%20and%20responsibilities%20of%20tls.pdf>

1 International Federation of Library Associations, *IFLA School Library Guidelines*, 2nd ed., 2015, <http://www.ifla.org/publications/node/9512>, 10-11.

2 BCTLA's *Points of Inquiry*... document is currently under revision to reflect the new and revised BC curriculum. Estimated publication date: June 2017.

