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School librarians curate equitable instruction and curriculum tools for all information needs in the school community.

51% of teachers who use digital tools to illustrate abstract concepts report that students demonstrate critical thinking and problem-solving skills as a result of how technology is used in their classroom.

School librarians develop future ready learners through personalization that promotes curiosity and initiative when seeking information.

72% of employers say critical thinking is key to their organization’s success.

School librarians facilitate experiences in which learners exhibit empathy and tolerance for diverse ideas.

68% of principals say the most significant challenge in the effective use of digital resources in their schools is providing effective teacher training.

School librarians are professional development leaders in their schools and districts.

36% of employers say their employees are good critical thinkers. (American Management Study, 2012)

93% of employers say a candidate’s competency with workplace skills, such as critical thinking, is more important than their undergraduate minor. (AACU Survey, 2013)

Teachers professional development wish list:

- Using technology to differentiate instruction: 47%
- Using technology tools for formative assessment: 29%
- Implementing blended learning in my classroom: 28%

Teaching to diversity, students expressed growing awareness of different strengths and challenges experienced by peers (grades 4-7).

"Knowing that everyone learns differently than you—it makes me understand that there’s different smarts—everyone is smart in different ways."

"I really understood how they felt, to be like that, how it would be harder."

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