The School Library Media Program of Allegany County is an integral part of the learning process. The school library media specialist uses state and national standards and curricula to maintain a program that supports life-long learning. In each school, the library media specialist assists the learning community in becoming active and creative locators, evaluators, and users of information.

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School Library Media Specialist
Roles and Responsibilities
The school library media specialist connects learning between students, teachers, administrators, and parents by promoting interests, addressing needs, and integrating the use of telecommunications technologies in order to foster learning, personal growth, and enjoyment. The goal of the school library media program is to develop information literate students, assisting them to become active users of information in order to problem-solve, think critically, and complete research. The school library media specialist works collaboratively with teachers, administrators, and the community to build the strong foundation of information literate learners, users, and performers.

The five main roles of the school library media specialist are leader, teacher, instructional partner, information specialist, and program administrator as addressed in Information Power: Building Partnerships for Learning (ALA). These roles interconnect to form the responsibilities of specialists in the library media center through accountability, global outreach, technologies, and accessibility.

**MD State Curriculum School Library Media**
Student will be able to:
- Follow inquiry process to define a problem, formulate questions, and refine either/both to meet a personal/assigned information need
- Follow inquiry process to identify, locate, evaluate, and select resources/sources in a wide variety of formats to meet information needs in an ethical manner
- Follow inquiry process to find, generate, record, and organize information relevant to the information need in an ethical manner
- Follow inquiry process to interpret recorded data/information to create new understandings and knowledge related to the information need in an ethical manner
- Follow inquiry process to share findings/conclusions in an appropriate format to support written, oral, and multimedia information products and evaluate the products and processes in an ethical manner
- Demonstrate an appreciation of literature and multimedia as a reflection of human experience and use the inquiry process for life-long learning

**ALLCONET Online Library System**
The ALLCONET Online Library System is both a library circulation system and a way for all public library users to search the library collections of schools in the Allegany County Public School System, as well as affiliated agencies.

To access the ALLCONET Online Library System use the following web address:
http://acpslib.acpsmd.org/

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