

Example Library Mission Statements

Westwood Public Schools Libraries

The mission of the library program in the Westwood Public Schools is to provide students with the skills and resources to become independent critical readers, thinkers, and information users. The program is designed to support and enhance the Westwood Public Schools curriculum and its goals.

Lexington Public Schools Libraries

The mission of the Lexington Public Schools' Department of Libraries and Information Technologies is to prepare our students to be informed, productive, and concerned citizens in an information-driven society. We encourage students to continue learning throughout their lives, to become ethical users of information and supporters of intellectual freedom, to develop an appreciation for literature and a love of reading, to appreciate diversity, and to develop a tolerance for differing points of view. We help them acquire the necessary critical thinking strategies and evaluative skills to do so.

Newton South High School Library

The mission of the Newton South High School Library is to ensure that all students have the skills and opportunity to access, evaluate and use information. The library program strives to enable all students to be effective researchers and responsible users of ideas and information. All students will be well-informed problem solvers and lifelong readers.

Dedham Public Schools Vision and Mission Statements

The mission of the Dedham Public Schools, in partnership with the community, is to promote excellence in learning, self-discipline, and motivation.

Each graduate of the Dedham Public Schools will confidently pursue personal excellence through continued independent inquiry and learning and exhibit socially responsible decision-making within a dynamic and diverse global community.

Proposed Library Vision Statement

The Dedham Public Schools Library Media Centers are committed to supporting and enhancing the district's core values of academic excellence, respect, a positive learning environment for all students, and open communication to share ideas, resources and responsibilities. The library media program collaborates with other stake-holders to promote critical thinking skills and strategies for students to become active and independent learners.

The DPS library media centers will:

- be the center of inquiry, knowledge, and creativity for the schools.
- instruct students in print literacy, visual literacy and media literacy.
- provide diverse media resources, such as books, magazines, newspapers, video, electronic sources, audiobooks, and e-books.
- become partners with classroom teachers to ensure effective use of library resources and continued instruction in current and future technologies.
- maintain a strong web presence to meet the needs of students beyond the school day.

Proposed Library Mission Statement

The mission of the Dedham Public Schools Libraries is to provide students with the skills to access, evaluate and use information and to prepare students to be life-long, 21st Century learners. The program is designed to support the Dedham Public Schools curriculum.