



# School Libraries: Improving Student Achievement Iowa

## 1 School Librarians Support Learning Throughout the School



- Collaborate With Teachers
- Integrate 21st Century Skills into Curriculum
- Provide Meaningful Technology

## 2 School Librarians Linked to Improved Test Scores



Iowa Reading Test Scores Rise Incrementally with Development of School Library Programs, Including Professional Librarian Staffing Hours

## 3 School Librarians Foster 21st Century Skills



Critical Thinking  
Collaboration  
Invention  
Self Direction  
Information Literacy

## 4 Career and College Readiness



### School Librarians:

"...Are essential learning resources and librarians are the essential 'guides inside' our schools, leading everyday teaching and learning toward methods and outcomes that best prepare our students for the challenges of the 21st Century"  
Bernie Trilling, Global Director, Oracle Education Foundation, 2010

## 5 School Spending



When Spending for School Libraries Rises, Better Reading Scores Follow.

SOURCE: Rodney Lance and Hamilton 2002

## 6 Broadband Connectivity At Home



37% of Americans Do Not Have Access to High Speed Broadband Connectivity at Home.  
Pew 2012

School and Public Libraries:  
**BRIDGE THAT GAP**