

### **361.2-RULE ACCESS TO LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS**

It is critical that all students have access to all the resources of the library media center. The library media center serves all students including students with learning disabilities and students with visual, speech, hearing, and mobility impairments.

This means that library media center resources must be flexible and exist in a variety of formats. The library media center may not have special equipment available for every type of disability but will make an attempt to have equipment and software programs that support common special needs that allows a majority of students with accessibility issues to gain access to LMC resources.

Library media center access considerations include:

- Physical access to the library media center.
- A circulation desk and book return that is clearly marked and wheelchair accessible.
- Large print directional signs throughout the LMC.
- Shelf and stack identifiers provided in large print and Braille if visually impaired students are served.
- Call numbers on book spines that are printed in large type.
- Equipment marked with large print and/or Braille if visually impaired students are served.
- A written description of services for exceptional students including services available and how to request special accommodations.
- Each type of station in the library media center will adjust to accommodate students with mobility impairments or who use wheelchairs.
- A large screen monitor (17-inch minimum) to assist students with low vision and learning disabilities.

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