



Why Do Classroom Libraries Matter?

What Happens When Classrooms Have Curriculum-Aligned Libraries



AVERAGE DAILY READING TIME

Highest-Achieving
5th Graders



21 MINUTES

Lowest-Achieving
5th Graders



>1 MINUTE

Kids Establish Strong Early Literacy Skills

Children in classrooms with high-quality libraries

outperformed peers by

20%



Kids Spend More Time Reading

Students in classrooms with new libraries spent

60% more time reading



Students in classrooms with diverse, high-interest libraries

voluntarily read **+4** extra hours per week



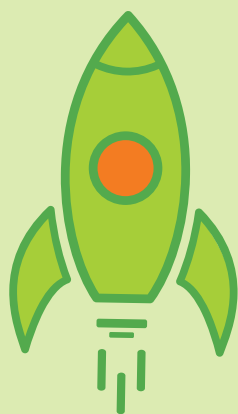
More Reading Leads to More Learning

Students in classrooms with curriculum-aligned libraries gained the equivalent of

5

extra months of learning





Lowest-scoring
students at the
start of the year
scored an
average of

11

**POINTS
HIGHER**
throughout the
school year

Literacy & Academic Achievement Grows

Reading assessment scores exceeded
expected national yearly growth by

+9 

EXTRA POINTS

in classrooms with inclusive libraries



Book Loans Increased

16% 

based on peer recommendations

Kids' Love of Reading Grows

Classrooms with robust libraries reported

33% 

MORE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT READING



READ THE FULL WHITEPAPER

*From Access to Achievement:
The Impact of
Curriculum-Aligned Libraries*
By Richard L. Hasenyager, Jr., Ph.D.