

## Making the Grade

The Status of School Library Media Centers in the Sunshine State and How They Contribute to Student Achievement affirms that school library media programs positively impact student achievement when the following conditions exist:

√More staffing

√More resources

**Larger per pupil budget**

√High Circulation

√More student visits to the media center

√More internet accessible computers

√An electronic card catalog

√An information literacy skills curriculum

√The school and media center have a web page with link on main page of school website  
Elementary flexible access

**Making the Grade** was the largest school library study ever completed which focused on student achievement and school grades. There were 1715 schools studied.

**Those items with a check mark indicate where your school makes the grade.**

**Areas in red are not intended to be punitive, but to assist you in planning for next year.**

Copies of the complete Making the Grade study are available from your school library media center or for checkout from the District Media Services Dept. Please call 547-3947.

To see all school brochures visit:  
[www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/mtg](http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/mtg)

**Important Activities 09/10**  
**Reading Challenge Grades 1 & 2**  
**Themed Detective or Princess Parties**  
**All media lessons tied to Sunshine State Standards**



## Scheduling of Media Center

The District Media Handbook (pages 5.4 & 5.5) states that the district procedure for elementary schools is to have a flexible access schedule. The Illinois Study indicates that reading scores were 10% higher in schools where the media center functions on a flexible access schedule and the media specialist actively collaborates with the classroom teacher. For more information about flexible access see the American Library Association weblink listed below.

[www.ala.org/aasl/positions/ps\\_flexible.html](http://www.ala.org/aasl/positions/ps_flexible.html)



## Can you find these in your library?

- University trained & certified media specialist
- Library Support Staff
- Students engaged in learning
- Welcoming atmosphere
- Current Book Collection
- Recreational reading opportunities
- Brochures, bookmarks, and style sheets displayed
- New materials displayed
- Locations of materials clearly displayed
- Alternative scheduling options
- Evidence of collaborative planning
- Student & teacher input in library program
- Sufficient technology tools

## State of the School Library

## Media Center

St. Johns County Schools

## Timberlin Creek ES

June 2010



555 Pine Tree Lane  
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[www.tce.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/](http://www.tce.stjohns.k12.fl.us/media/)

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**Congratulations**  
**First SJCS Elementary School**  
**Florida Power Library**

**Statistics based on data from 2009-2010 SY.**

**STAFFING** (data from FL study)

Personnel	State Avg	District #	Our School
Professional	0.99	1	1
Clerical	0.97	1	1
NBCT	NA	6	no
Library University Trained	NA	10/17 ES	no

Staffing meets SJCS D recommendations.

Media PLC Hours Offered	16.72	Hours earned
	24.5	21.75

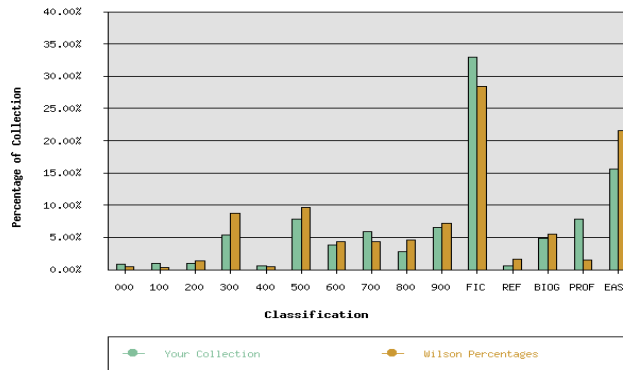
Budget	District Avg. ES	Our School
Total	\$5162.44	\$5,092
Total Pupils	751	828
Per Pupil Allocation	\$6.87	\$6.14

Note: When we first started tracking library data in 2002 the average per student allocation was \$19.00.

Computers in Media Center (Pg. 45 FL Study)		
State Avg.	District Elem Avg.	Our School
20.79	20.42	32

FCAT Level Circulations - 1st Semester					
Levels	1	2	3	4	5
# of stu.	8	9	57	116	42
TCE Per Stu Circ.	15.63	30.89	26.46	23.58	27.31
ES Avg.	34.38	37.05	36.23	31.52	30.54

**Collection Balance—TCE (Jan 2009)**



Average Total Book Count (pgs. 55-56 FL Study)				
	National	State	District	Our School
Books per facility	10,992	11,278	16,114	16,186
Books per student	NA	13.1	20.74	19.55

TCE meets SACS recommendation.

Magazines ~ Periodicals (pg. 55 FL Study)			
	State Avg.	District Avg.	Our School
Per pupil	20.53	14	17

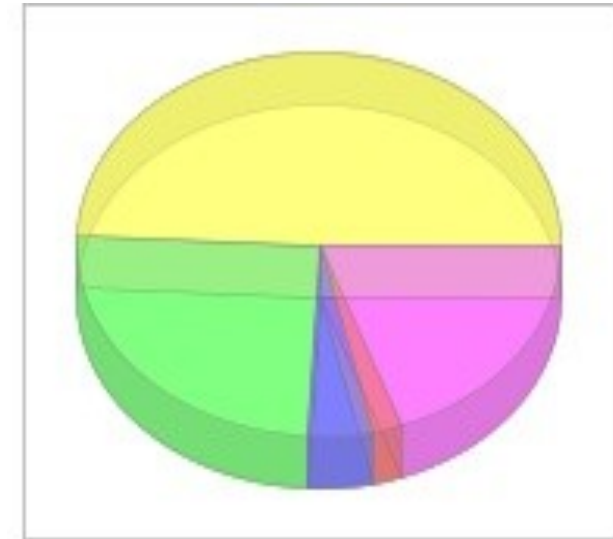
Reading Incentive Programs (pg. 39 FL Study)		
	District ES	Our School
AR/RC	17 schools	
SSYRA/FRA	17 schools	√√

Average Checkout Per Student (pg. 22 FL Study and Super Summary)			
	State Avg.	District Avg.	School Avg.
Per pupil	20.53	31.23	38.23

Weekly Circulation (pg. 22 FL Study and Super Summary)			
	State Avg.	District Avg.	Our School Avg.
All Materials	1016	663	931

**Sunlink Age of Collection Total Collection Information Books & AV**

30 years or older	224	2.03%
20 to 29 years	480	4.34%
10 to 19 years	2751	24.88%
6 to 9 years	5465	49.43%
0 to 5 years	2137	19.33%



Interlibrary Loan (pg. 22 FL Study)				
	Borrowed		Loaned	
School TCE	12	State Avg.	63	State Avg.
SJCS D Avg. ES	10.27	.89	20.2	1.17

Hours Per Week Media Center is Open (pg. 21 FL Study)			
	State	District	Our School
Before School	2.22	2.39	2.22
During School	29.72	31.98	29.7
After School	2.76	2.95	2.76