

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

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 819-3947.

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.

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

NetTrekker Meaningful Searches			
As of 5/22/07	Highest HS	District Average	Our School
	74,995	38,925	446



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

St. Johns Technical High School



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Statistics based on data 8/1/06 to 5/09/07.

STAFFING (data from FL study)

Personnel	State Avg	District #	Our School
Professional		1	
Clerical	0.99	1	1
NBCT	0.97	6	
University Trained		22/30	

Staffing meets SJCSD recommendations

Media PLC Hours Offered	District Avg	Hrs earned
39.5	28.7	23.5

Budget	District Avg HS	SJTHS
Total	\$22,839.50	\$2,700
Total Pupils	1338	224
Per Pupil Allocation	\$17.00	\$10

Note: Past district funding was \$19.00 per pupil. This figure was unfortunately reduced last year by the district to \$17.00. SJTHS funding for media was below the district average.

Computers in Media Center

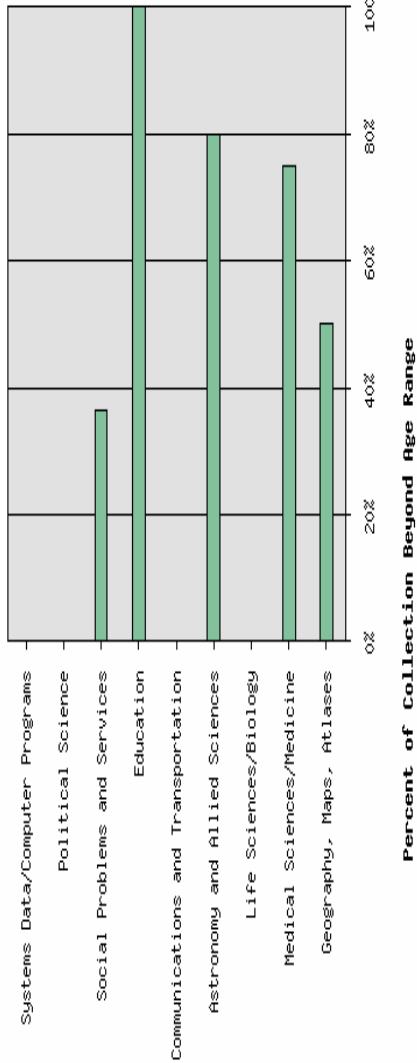
State Avg	District HS Avg	SJTHS
20.79	46	26

Note: Computer statistics found on pg.45 of

FCAT Level Circulations

Levels	1	2	3	4	5
SJTHS Total	518	177	76	20	4
Ave. circulation	4.84	1.48	2.93	2.85	4
HS Avg.	2.81	1.81	1.4	.95	1.36

Age of Collection
 This school is not eligible to participate in Sunlink due to the small library holdings. This collection is in the development stages. Any donations of materials are welcome and will be considered.



Percent of Collection Beyond Age Range

Average Total Book Count (pgs. 55-56 FL Study)			
	National	State	District HS Ave
Bks per facility	10,992	11,278	12,939
Bks per student		13.1	9

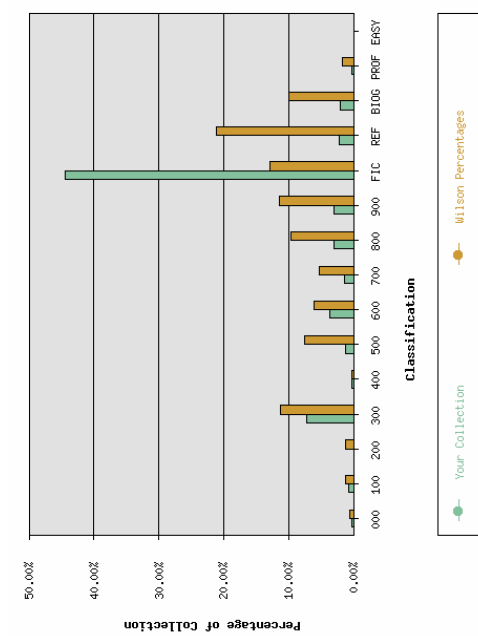
SJTHS does not meet the minimum SACS standards for HS libraries. It's holdings are just over 1,000. It is recommended that each facility have at least 10 books per student. SJTHS does not meet SAC standards.

Magazines ~ Periodicals (pg. 55 FL Study)			
Average	State	District	SJTHS
Per pupil	20.53	21	6

Reading Incentive Programs (pg. 39 FL Study)			
	Our School		
AR/RC	√		
FTR			

Average Checkout Per Student (pg. 22 FL Study and Super Summary)			
Average	State	District	SJTHS
Per pupil		3.24	7.95

Weekly Circulation (pg. 22 FL Study and Super Summary)			
	State Avg.	District Avg.	SJTHS
All Materials		248	52



This collection is 2 years old. It has been established through donations from other media centers, the community and grants written by Ms. Linekin. Areas of significant need are 500's, 700's, 800's, 900's, Reference and Biography.

Interlibrary Loan			
	Within District	Outside District	
School			
HS School			

Hours Per Week Media Center is Open (pg.21 FL Study)			
	State	Dis- trict	Our School
Before School	2.22		Not reported
During School	29.72		29.5
After School	2.76		Not reported