



Pennsylvania School Librarians Association

Survey of Library Staffing in PA Public School Districts, 2012-2013 Results as of January 31, 2013

99% of 500 School Districts Responded

- 2,802 buildings in 496 school districts that responded

Professional Staffing in 495 School Districts

- 1,955 in 2011-2012
- 1,835 in 2012-2013

Professional Staffing Changes from 2011-2012 to 2012-2013

- 120 positions (126.5 positions lost and 6.5 positions gained) reflecting a 6% decrease

Professional Staffing Reductions from 2011-2012 to 2012-2013

- 126.5 positions were eliminated within 89 school districts
 - 4 school districts eliminated all certified school librarians
- 26 school districts reduced services by adding other professional duties to librarians

Professional Staffing Gains from 2011-2012 to 2012-2013

- 6.5 positions were added within 7 school districts

Current Professional Staffing Profile

- 11 school districts have no certified school librarian
- 2 school districts have one certified librarian serving part-time as the school librarian for the entire district
- 68 school districts have one full-time certified librarian serving the entire district
- 62% or 311 school districts have at least one certified librarian serving more than one building
- 34% or 174 school districts have a certified school librarian for every building

Types	# Districts	# Bldgs	Prof Staff 2011-2012	Prof Staff 2012-2013
Urban	11	458	152	135
Suburban	115	912	768.5	724.5
Rural	368	1,431	1,034.4	976.6

Paraprofessional Staffing in 495 School Districts

- 1,398 in 2011-2012
- 1,292 in 2012-2013

Paraprofessional Staffing Reductions from 2011-2012 to 2012-2013

- 106 school library paraprofessional positions within 91 school districts

Current Paraprofessional Staffing Profile

- 30% or 150 school districts have no paraprofessional staff
- 18% or 89 school districts have one paraprofessional staff for the entire district
- 45% or 222 school districts do not have a paraprofessional for every building
- 23% or 115 school districts have a paraprofessional for every building