



**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Community Schools, Thriving Students

Revised OUSD Library Board Policy 6163.1

Revision to “Library Media Centers,” Board Policy from 2004



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Library Board Policy Update Overview

- The Board Policy on record was created in 2004
- There are significant changes to the vision and realities possible for School Libraries.
- There is an urgent need for school libraries in OUSD to improve literacy rates
- A working group was created comprised of Community organizations such as FOPSL, OPL, Oakland Literacy Coalition and District employees
- We met monthly from June - September 2016.
- The policy was sent to other literacy organizations in the District, to staff and other stakeholders for feedback and input.



Key Changes:

from

Library Media
Center

to

Library,
Information &
Technology (LIT)
Center

Library, Information & Technology (LIT) Center

the 21st Century LIT Center is a learning commons, an innovative and transformative space at the heart of each school that is student centered. The LIT Center is a safe space with access and resources for the entire school community.



Key Changes

Four Areas of Focus to Revitalize and redevelop LIT Centers in OUSD

- Staffing
- Access
- Resources
- Facilities

Staffing

- Key to improving literacy and academic achievement is qualified personnel
- Library Technicians, Clerks and volunteers assisting with school library services will work under the direction of professional onsite staff.



Key Changes

Access

- Lunchtime and “beyond the bell” hours are key to providing meaningful access
- Adding online access and Web portals
- Saturday and after school hours under the supervision of certificated personnel



Resources

- Funding earmarked every year to provide resources for LIT Centers
- No Fees, maximum fines = current market price of one hardback book a year.

Facilities

- LIT Centers part of every redesign or renovation

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