



**KETCHIKAN GATEWAY BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
PROCLAMATION  
APRIL 2023**

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**SCHOOL LIBRARY MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, April 2023 has been designated national School Library Month; and

**WHEREAS**, school libraries provide materials for teachers and students that will encourage growth and knowledge; and

**WHEREAS**, school libraries provide materials that will develop literary, cultural, aesthetic appreciation, and ethical standards; and

**WHEREAS**, school libraries provide materials which reflect the ideas and beliefs of religious, social, political, historical and ethnic groups and their contributions to the American and world heritage and culture; and

**WHEREAS**, school libraries provide books to encourage children to read for pleasure; and

**WHEREAS**, school libraries provide materials to meet individual needs, varied interests, abilities, socioeconomic backgrounds and maturity levels of the students served; and

**WHEREAS**, school libraries are a fun place for students to go and all students deserve a well-managed library to provide for free expression and access to ideas;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the KGBSD Board of Education declare the month of April 2023 as “School Library Month.”

Dated this 12th day of April 2023

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By Stephen Bradford, President,  
Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District Board of Education