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Library media specialists can make a unique contribution of the basic skills program by:

- o Being co-designers of the curriculum with the teachers.
o Extending the goals and objectives of the basic skills program through the programs and activities of the school library media center.
o Providing easy access to a wide variety of materials, both print and audiovisual, to support basic skills program at all levels.
o Making materials available for informational and recreational needs of all users.

- o Preparing bibliographies
o Cooperating with teachers on selection of text and library media
o Developing and presenting a K-12 library media skills program integrated with classroom instruction with the assistance of basic skills and other teachers.
o Continuing their vital work of individual reading and user guidance.

The school library media center can be important to the basic skills program by:

- o Providing an inviting atmosphere conducive to recreational reading and browsing.
o Providing reading, viewing, and listening experiences which will stimulate further interest in the basic skills.
o Providing interest centers supporting units in basic skills areas.

- o Providing instruction in media skills, including information retrieval, operation of equipment, and research techniques.
o Providing assistance in production of new learning resources to meet curriculum and individual needs.

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