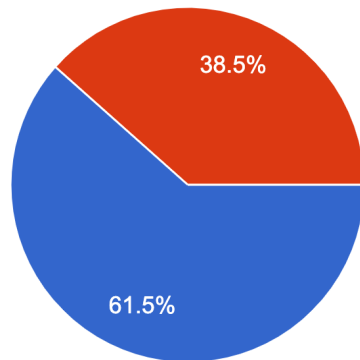


School Library Procedures/Quarantining/Browsing: Results gathered for a week Feb. 22 on

Is your school...

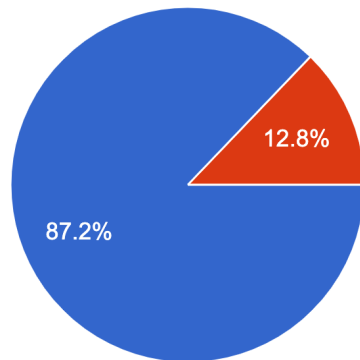
39 responses



- Fully in person (4-5 days a week)
- Hybrid
- Full Remote

Do you have certified elementary library staff?

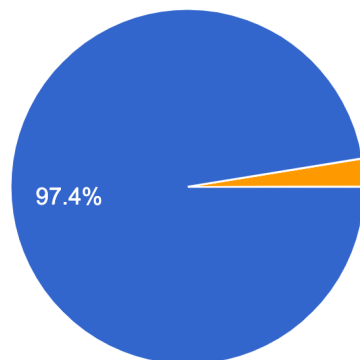
39 responses



- Yes
- No

Are you quarantining books?

39 responses

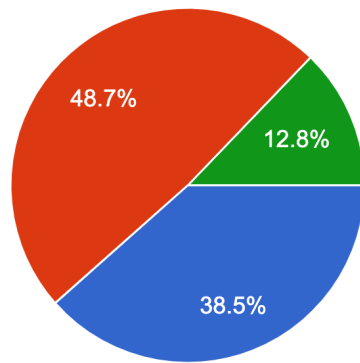


- Yes
- No
- We would but students are mostly remote. We may have about 150 kids who physically come to school.

School Library Procedures/Quarantining/Browsing: Results gathered for a week Feb. 22 on

Do you have students come into the library for classes (vs. your going to the classrooms or Meets)?

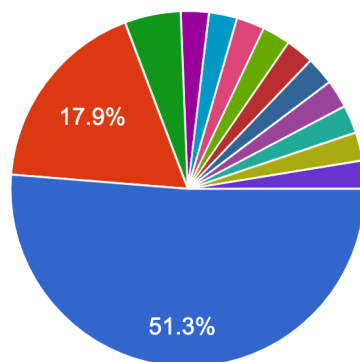
39 responses



- Yes
- No
- N/A Remote
- N/A Library is being used for another class now

Are you having students place holds and then delivering books to classrooms?

39 responses

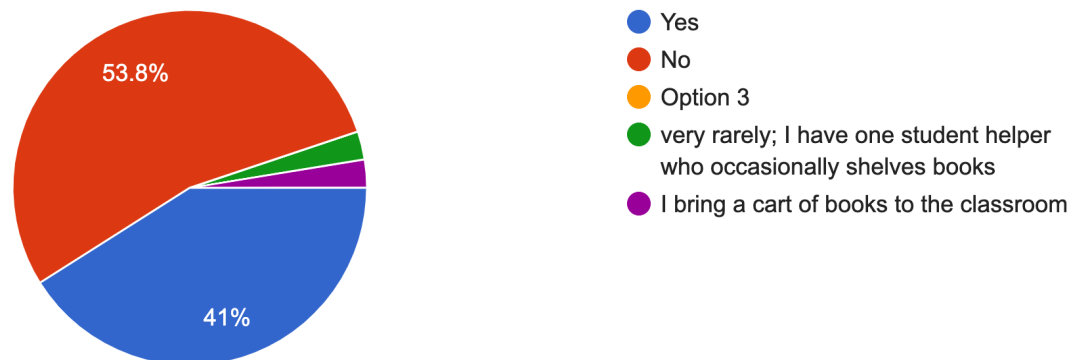


- Yes
- No
- N/A Remote
- Just started this with one grade.
- Students email them I we mail back th...
- All students order books online; We d...
- Both - they can come in and browse/c...
- No, students come to the library to br...

School Library Procedures/Quarantining/Browsing: Results gathered for a week Feb. 22 on

Do you have students browsing the shelves for books?

39 responses



If you have students in for book browsing, or in general, what are you doing for mitigating strategies/to maximize safety? What strategies do you use (assigned seats, limiting number of people, hand sanitizer as they enter etc)? 24 responses

- Students are only coming to the library for book selection. Books are on tables. They point to their selection & I hand them the book to check out. We then go to the classroom for their lesson.
- Students wash hands upon entry. They browse but ask for help with books to read summaries, scan pages, etc. with help from librarian or clerk who wear gloves.
- Assigned seats
- Half the class comes in at a time (about 10-12 kids). Kids sits in plush furniture with not tables, etc. so nothing is wiped down. Kids have to "go before they go" (aka use hand sanitizer). We also have a cart of books people have touched, but they don't want. We have been doing it since October this way. So far, so good.
- No more than 12 students at a time, 3 feet apart, must sanitize hands before they enter the library, tape on the floor to checkout so they stay socially distanced.
- Limited seating to two students per table/no more than 20 in the library at a time. Hand sanitizer and wipes everywhere. Mandatory masks. Students place any book they removed from a shelf but didn't check out in the book drop. All borrowed items must be returned in a book drop and I don't touch them until the end of the day (I used to check in and shelve periodically throughout the day). When checking in books and equipment I wear gloves. Wipe down all covers with a Clorox wipe and place them in quarantine in a room inaccessible to students. Destiny has a way to automatically set a quarantine period so I added that setting.
- sanitize

School Library Procedures/Quarantining/Browsing: Results gathered for a week Feb. 22 on

- Students sanitize as they come and are also welcome to gloves while browsing. Tape in the shape of arrows and lines mark which way to enter and what 6ft looks like in the stacks so they can keep their distance. Lines also mark where to stand while waiting to check our books. If they decide they dont want a book chosen off of the shelves there are 3 different bins nearby they can drop the books into so I know to quarantine them. Comfy chairs are covered in plastic so that they can be sanitized afterwards. Tables and chairs used are sprayed down after each class has left.
- Students receive hand sanitizer before entering the library. Students sit 2 to a table (round) with a plexiglass divider between them. Seats are assigned. Students are masked at all times. Students browse shelves 4 at a time with social distancing. We do not use our story pit. Students bring their own Chromebooks, pencil boxes, headphones and mice to library. Between classes, tables are sprayed and wiped.
- Limited number per period
- Students come to library for classes, all day long. In between classes, I wipe down desks. Desks are about 3 ft apart and I take a photo of each class, so if we have a case or a suspected case, and the nurse asks who that child was near, for contact tracing, I can tell her. For most of the period, students are at their desks, but for the last 10 min or so, they browse. I give everyone hand sanitizer before browsing, and encourage them to return to their seats once they have a book. I try to break up groups, and tell students to return to their seats if they are just wandering with no intention to borrow, but I can't monitor everyone all the time.
- Nothing really, our high school students use the library mostly to do work so the number who are browsing for books is much smaller so we don't really need to limit them. Hand sanitizer is available for their use if they want it. For those students who come to the library to do work, we limit to 100 students and they sit 3 to 6 feet apart. We also check out Chromebooks to those students who forget those - we check them out to just for the school day and require students to wipe them down when they return them at the end of the school day.
- indoor snack in library in dots 6 feet apart; library otherwise closed to students; book return for teachers is a basket in the hallway
- 1 student at the cart after washing hands
- Each class is assigned a day and time based on my schedule. Teachers can send up to 4 students at a time to browse. Students sanitize on entering the library and are masked. They sanitize when leaving.
- We are not browsing at this time.
- Sanitize when they enter the library, have assigned seats, only 6 kids allowed to browse at a time after sanitizing, books are spread out on a table to quarantine for three days before they are checked in.
- Hand sanitizer when they enter and before book checkout, assigned seats with table dividers, limited number of students browsing at once and they must keep their distance as they browse.
- Limited number of students (6 max); students must practice social distancing (6 feet); students must wear disposable gloves
- I ask students to use hand sanitizer when entering the library. The stacks are also one way (like a grocery store - I taped arrows to the floor) to help with traffic flow and spacing out students. In addition to browsing, I also have assigned classes, so the seats are spaced out as much as possible, students face the same

School Library Procedures/Quarantining/Browsing: Results gathered for a week Feb. 22 on

direction, and there are assigned seats (the school nurse and principal have copies of all seating charts for contact tracing for the whole school). When students leave, they disinfect the table and chair where they sat. When students come to the library from a different class for more than 15 minutes to work, there's a sign-in sheet (in case there's a need for contact tracing).

- Students wear gloves upon entering the library if they are here to browse for books. We have a wireless scanner. Students hold up their books for scanning. the librarians and LTA do our best not to touch the students' books.
- NA
- no book browsing in any of our schools

Anything else you'd like to share?²⁷ responses

- We are mostly in person but do have some remote students.
- Students are very good about waiting for help before touching books.
- We bring a selection of books on a cart to classrooms who don't have library class this cycle at a time the classroom teacher signs up for (we switched to 5 week cycles of specials vs our usual 4 day rotation) and bring a cart with us when we teach in the classroom. Sometimes I set books out on the table, most of the time I spray kids hands with sanitizer and let them look ok the cart.
- My super (we have a new one since Dec) informed my principal that she'd like to see about opening library again. I have taken it upon myself to alert students if they'd like to come to library they need to email me (as they do for books)
- I have 5 book buckets so I quarantine a week. Some WH schools are sticking to the ct state guideline of 48 hours.
-
- Almost all of my traffic is live now. I have very few kids requesting books to be delivered to homeroom. Our hybrid has kids in school a week at a time, every other week.
- I answered no to your certified question bc we are a high school but I am a certified librarian (K-12). We have been in-person 5 days a week from 8am - 2:20pm since September, except for November 30-January 19 when we were remote due to the high positivity rate in the state.
- We also have excellent air filtration systems this year in our library
- I encourage holds at my school, have to push into the classrooms, do bring a rolling book cart as well.
- Once their books are picked I have them hold up the barcode for me to scan, or have them run the book under the scanner to have less contact. I've sent these mitigation strategies to the other school librarians who have followed suit.
- The students are very happy to be back in the library because they have a whole library of books to choose from.
- I see one half of the school for library classes 2x per week for 6 weeks. Then we switch.
- We are in school 4 days a week. A portion of students are fully remote, although that number has been falling. Some classes it's only a few and in others as high as 8. So class sizes vary. I don't worry if a student

School Library Procedures/Quarantining/Browsing: Results gathered for a week Feb. 22 on

handled a book while in the library and then put it back. But the books that come from home are left on a cart for a few days. I think my aide also wipes them down. We have had very few Covid cases. We are strict about mask wearing, which must be helping.

- Our high school is hybrid - half the school in M/T, the other half in on Th/F and all students are remote on Wednesdays. Elementary and middle schools have been fully in the buildings 5 days/week since school started in September.
- We are checking sets of books out to classrooms. Students are not taking books home at this time.
- All elementary LMS are reassigned as classroom teachers: only a para in library, very little circulation teachers may check out books but they must remain in school, no student check outs
- Library class is a "special" . I see a class every day for 5 weeks to minimize my exposure
- Destiny Discover and SORA holds are the way to go right now.
- I have 5 bins outside of the library, one for each day. Books are returned there and I pull them out each morning.
- My youngest students place orders via a laminated paper form with popular topics/genres they can circle and/or write in favorite titles, authors, etc. Grades 3 and up are requesting books through our library catalog electronically. I pull and deliver all books to classrooms. Additionally, I push in to the classrooms to deliver library lessons. We are full time 5 days in person and have been all year.
- I bring a cart of books to K-1 classrooms. Students in grades 2-5 request books through the catalog. I have a part time para to help with this.