

It has come to my attention that the librarians are being targeted to lose their stipend at tonight's meeting. As librarians, we are required to be certified teachers plus have a master's degree. We also have two full-time jobs since our aides were taken away last year. In spite of all this, we are not worthy of the same raise as the teachers even though that is what we are and now, we aren't worthy of our stipend. I am asking you to please reconsider this devastating move. Beyond managing the library, we assist with instructional support, technology troubleshooting, testing, campus events, student research, and literacy programming. We work with ALL of the students on our campuses, ensuring that literacy is a priority each and every day. Our role is essential to both student achievement and campus success. We respectfully ask that you recognize the value we bring and support keeping our stipends in place.

Thank you for your time and commitment to our schools.