

**Public School Library Collection Grant “Public Opinion Message 1”**

SB 119: Alaskan students must be able to access up to date and varied library materials to support curricular needs in the classroom. Library budgets vary widely. Libraries which meet specified criteria would be awarded an annual grant. This would be a long-term investment in the school infrastructure."

**Public School Library Collection Grant “Public Opinion Message 2”**

Please consider the advantages of SB 119 as it pertains to the 400 Mt. Edgecumbe High School students and the villages they come from. This bill is indeed a long term investment in the youth of our state and in the future leaders of our villages, boroughs, and eventually in the state and national level positions.

**Public School Library Collection Grant “Public Opinion Message 3”**

SB119: An annual grant for updating Alaskan school library collections would alleviate problems in schools where administrators don't use their budget to support the library. Schools should provide funds for libraries, but statistics show many don't. Putting money into school libraries serve all students, not just specific classrooms or programs.

**Public School Library Collection Grant “Public Opinion Message 4**

SB 119 will assist in updating Alaska school library collections. Studies show libraries stocked with up-to-date and popular resources improve reading scores, support the school's curriculum, and reading standards. Computers and the internet do provide information for students, but it's only one source of information not the ONLY one.