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### Library Focus and Competencies

I am pursuing a Master of Library Science Degree with a School Librarian Certification focus. It is my intent to perform the duties of a librarian in an elementary school setting in Texas using the American Library Associations' (ALA) Core Competencies of Librarianship, the American Association of School Librarians (AASL) Standards for Initial Preparation of School Librarians, and the Texas Administrative Code (TEC) on Texas School Librarian Certificate Standards.

As I explored the different competencies from these organizations, I concluded that although titled differently, the competencies are very closely related and create a picture of the expectations for a school librarian. In summary, they include teaching and learning through a variety of methods, providing information access through technology, participating in a leadership role, and maintaining awareness of current practices through professional development.