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Library Summary

Institution name:	Komarek Elementary School District #94
Library name:	Komarek Elementary School Library
Library type:	School
City:	North Riverside
Primary library contact:	Beth Kovacic, Library Director
Recommended board action:	FULL MEMBERSHIP
Major metropolitan area:	Chicago
Full-time enrollment:	547

Library Information

Holdings:	10,700
OCLC member (yes or no):	No
Online catalog (OPAC):	Follett Destiny
eRead Illinois member (yes or no):	No

Strengths: The Director of this kindergarten through eighth grade school library was happy to report the library has an excellent budget and can purchase all materials needed each school year. The Director has set up a self-checkout station in the library to be used by students in fourth through eighth grades, and the students appreciate the autonomy to check out their materials.

Challenges: The library director has worked for this district for one year. In previous years, the library was inconsistently staffed or not staffed at all. Due to the lack of staffing, the library's collection is in need of weeding, and many materials are in need of complete catalog records. This summer the Director began the project of collection maintainance and anticipated it would take another 10-12 months to complete.

Library Summary

Institution name:	Saint Mary's Grade School
Library name:	Saint Mary's Grade School Library
Library type:	School
City:	Sterling
Primary library contact:	Linda Cook, Library Director
Recommended board action:	FULL MEMBERSHIP
Major metropolitan area:	Moline
Full-time enrollment:	160

Library Information

Holdings:	6,216
OCLC member (yes or no):	No
Online catalog (OPAC):	The Library Corporation, Library Solution
eRead Illinois member (yes or no):	No

Strengths: This kindergarten through eighth grade school's library director has held this position since the school opened in 1997. She appreciates the shared catalog group, Rock River Consortium, of which this school is a member, and the easy access it provides to other materials within the consortium. Students and teachers often request materials via interlibrary loan. The Director is excited for the opportunity to join RAILS to have access to even more resources with the help of RAILS delivery. RAILS recommends the Director expands interlibrary loan requesting and supplying to libraries throughout Illinois and the country.

Challenges: The library's materials budget is small and the library Director is not able to purchase as many new materials as she would like. The library does receive minimal additional funding through the annual Scholastic book fair and through the school's fundraiser program in conjunction with the local grocery store.