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Education for School Librarians

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Background



School Libraries in Germany



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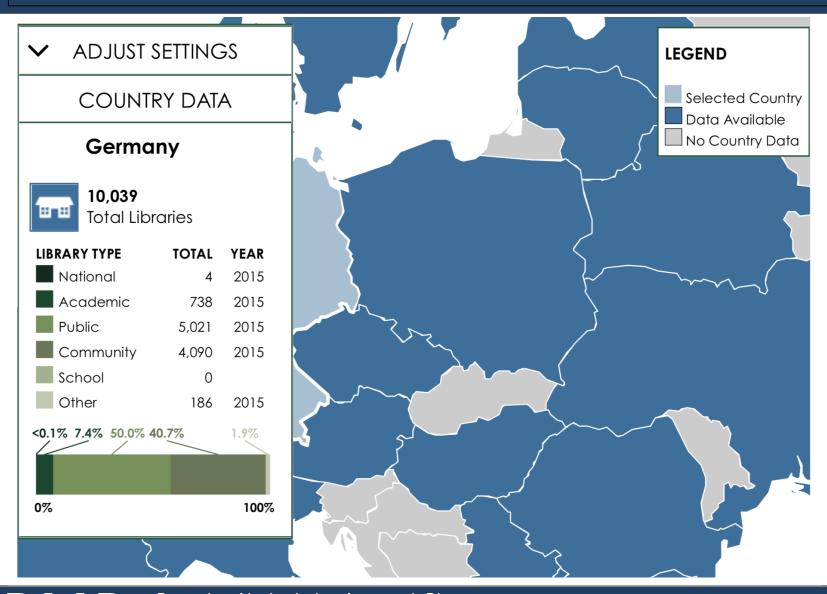
- Programme for International Student Assessment
- 2000 "PISA shock" in Germany
- Reaction of the library community
- 73% of German students have never used a school library lowest for all OECD countries (Krüger, 2003)

 Krüger, Katja (2003). The PISA-shock and its consequences: The future of libraries for children in Germany. Retrieved: <u>http://webdoc.sub.gwdg.de/ebook/aw/2003/ifla/.../079e_trans-Krueger.pdf</u>.

School Librarians in Germany

- Education at the undergraduate level
- Not on the same level as teachers
- Slight opportunity to get a job
- But some do exist!

Source: International Federation of Library Agencies (IFLA), Library map of the world. Retrieved: http://librarymap.ifla.org



Readiness for School Librarianship Education

- Can school libraries help in raising PISA scores in Germany?
- Is school librarianship education desired in Germany?
- How does an individual feel about it?
- What are the roles of social contexts in this decision?

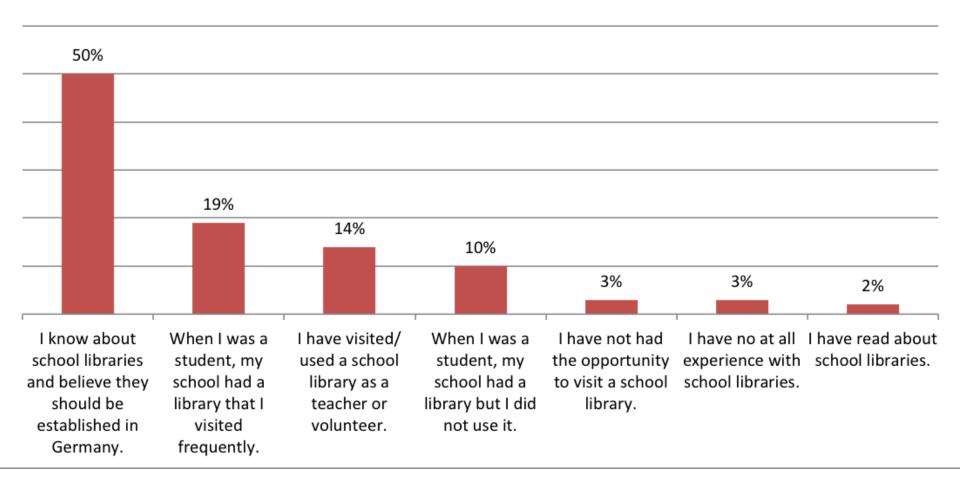
Research Question 1: What are the two highest stages of concern for librarians, library science educators, and library science students' regarding the readiness for school librarianship education in Germany?

Research Question 2: What are librarians, library science educators, and library science students' feelings and knowledge regarding the readiness for school librarianship education in Germany?

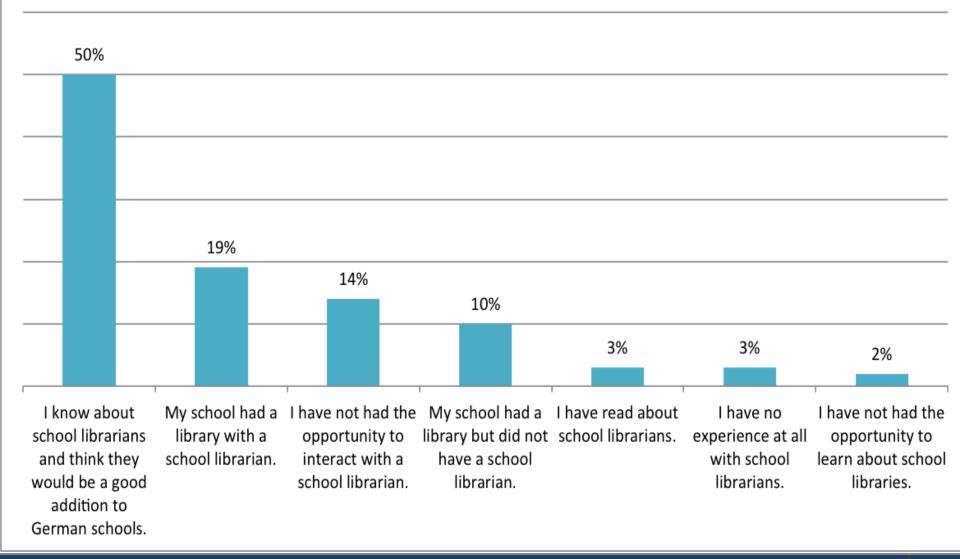
Methodology - Survey

- Participants come from a variety of backgrounds.
- Stages of Concern Questionnaire
- Demographic Questions
- Opinions about school libraries/school librarian education
- Qualtrics

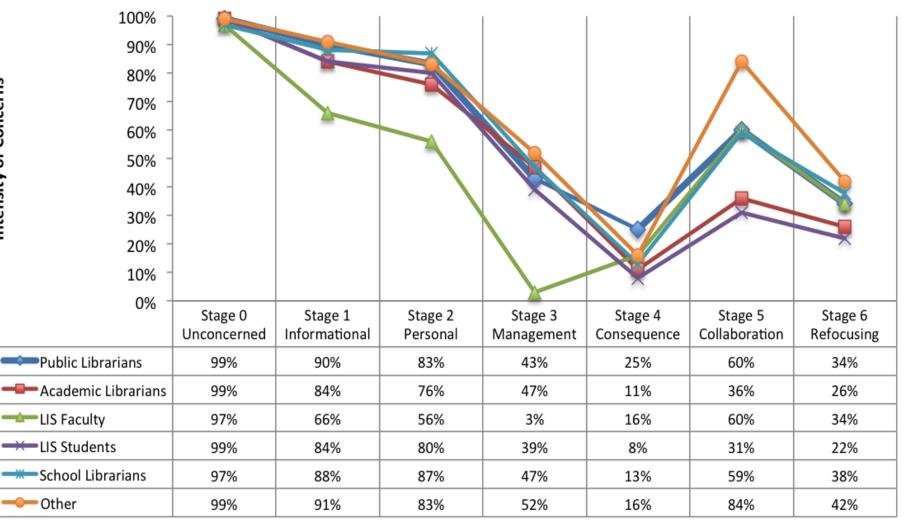
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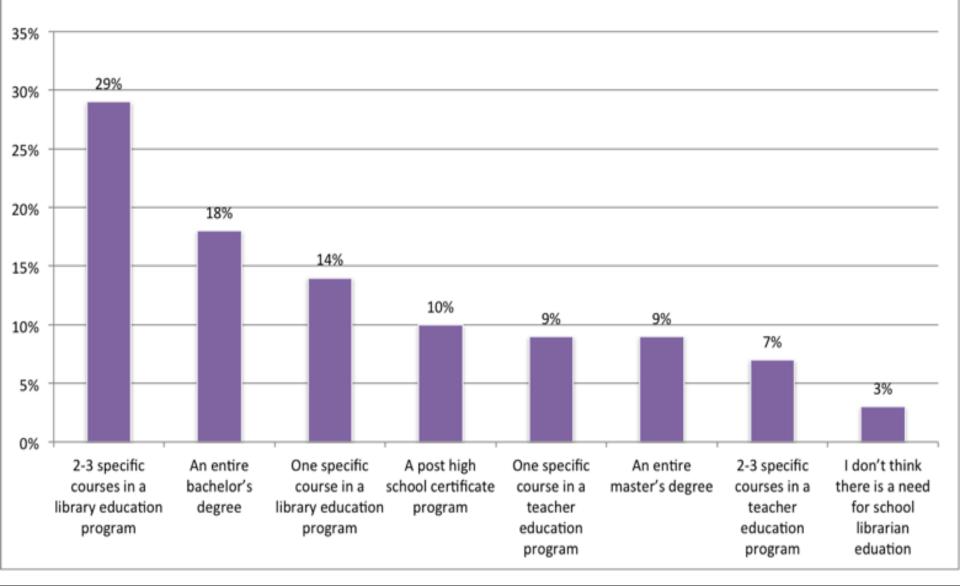


Stages of Concern Profiles of Various Groups of the German Library Community Related to School Librarianship Education



Stages of Concern

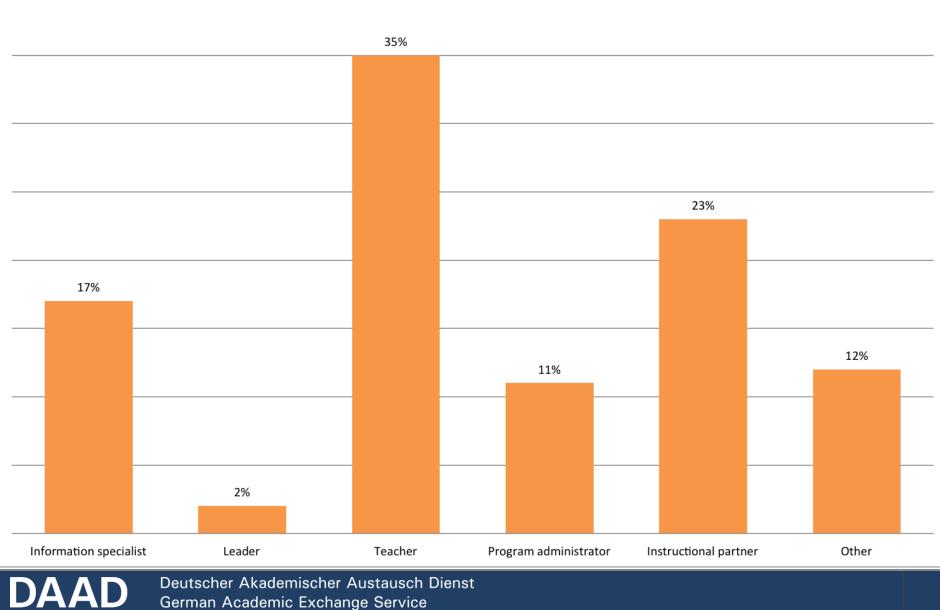
Opinions on what school librarian education should be N=174



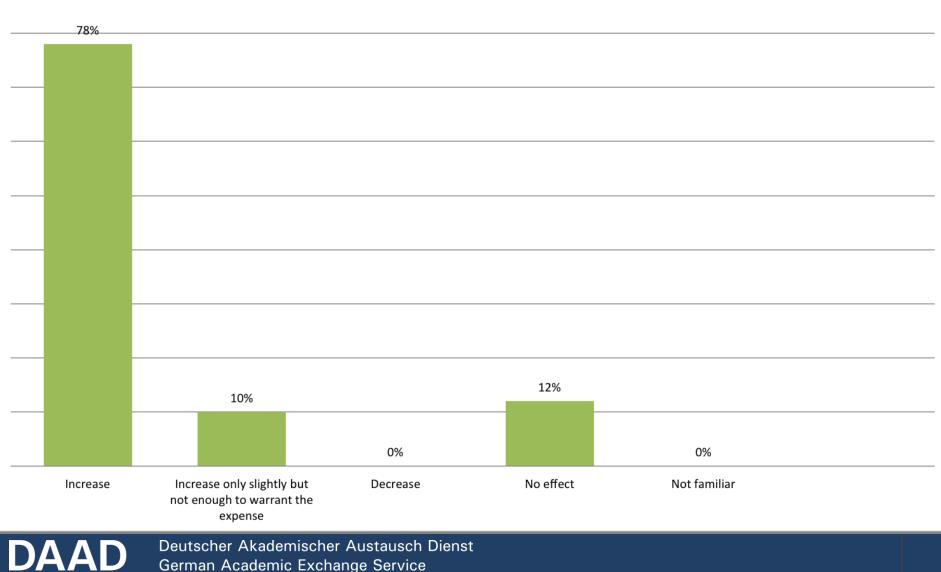
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Most important role of the school librarian N=174

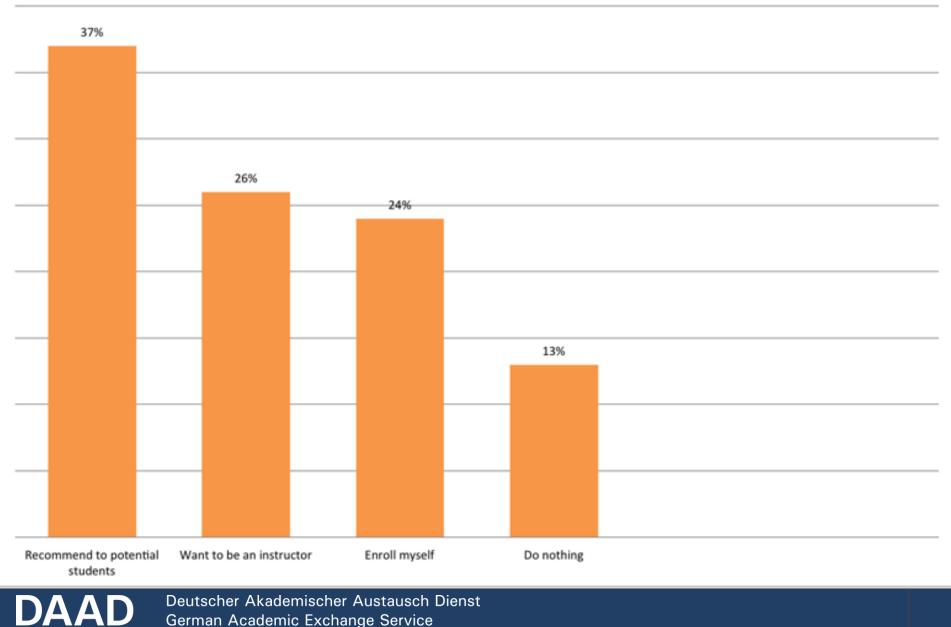


Opinions on the potential relationship between school libraries, school librarians, and PISA scores N=174



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If school librarian education were established in Germany, I would: N=174



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What has happened since

Article in German:

Everhart, N. (2017). Ausbildung zum Schulbibliothekar dringend efforderlich. *Buch und Bibliothek 68* (1) 56-59.

Presentations at Florida State University, the International Association of School Librarians conference.

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Editorial: School Libraries and Librarianship in Germany: Opportunities and Outliers Nancy Everhart, Florida State University, USA

A Regional German School Library Association: A Story of Success?

Hans Günther Brée, Landesarbeitsgemeinschaften (LAG), Germany,

Günter K. Schlamp, Landesarbeitsgemeinschaften (LAG), Germany

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Melissa P. Johnston, The University of West Georgia, USA

Embracing the Future and the Past – A New Model For German School Libraries

Heike Lammers-Harlander, Gymnasium Donauwoerth, Germany Exploring a World of Treasures at Munich's Internationale Jugendbibliothek/International Youth Library (IJB/IYL) Jamie Campbell Naidoo, University of Alabama, USA

Actionbound at School: An Introduction to Library Use with Apps & Co.

Julia Rittel, Euskirchen Public Library, Germany

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German School Libraries – Requirement and Reality

Jürgen Seefeldt, University of Applied Sciences, Cologne, Germany

Dr. Ludger Syré, Baden State Library, Germany



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Conclusions

- Eager to learn more and get involved
 - Share ideas
 - Collaborate
- School library education should be 2-3 courses in current programs
 - Focus on reading



Case studies of schools in Germany where there are school librarians.

Vielen Dank für Ihre Zeit!

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