Hours of Service of School Libraries

The room or rooms in which school library resources are housed should be open for use by children and teachers during the school day, before and after school and, to the extent necessary for service, in the evenings and on Saturdays. Textbooks and other instructional materials should be made available to children and teachers on a systematic basis.

Although some scheduling of classes to the library may be necessary for efficient administration, this practice should not inhibit or prevent daily access to the library by individual teachers and pupils. Schedules which permit use of the library only once a week, or at other stated intervals, seriously curtail the potential value of school library resources to the instructional program.