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The School Library Media Specialist (SLMS) endorsement is required for any person who serves as a school library media specialist in all public schools. The functions include delivery of instruction in information literacy skills and the development and coordination of school library media programs and resources. The functions also include the delivery of instruction in the evaluation, selection, organization, distribution, creation and utilization of school library media. Media are defined as all print, non-print and electronic resources including the technologies needed for their use.

The following individuals are automatically eligible to receive the standard SLMS endorsement:

1. Those holding a standard New Jersey School Librarian or standard Educational Media Specialist certificate
2. Those holding a standard New Jersey Associate School Library Media Specialist (ASLMS) certificate who have completed a graduate degree program at a regionally accredited college or university with a specialization in school library media studies.

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