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LEARNING FOR THE FUTURE Working Toward National Standards for School Libraries in Canada

These papers will inform the second Treasure Mountain Canada symposium. All attendees at TMC in Ottawa having read these papers will be charged with the responsibility of devoting their time together to enable Learning for the Future.

The Canadian Library Association (CLA) School Library Advisory have embarked on a journey to develop standards for school libraries in Canada that will propel 21st century teaching and learning .It is the hope that our collaborative work at TMC will provide a solid foundation for the writing of these new national standards.

We are truly grateful to all those who invested time, energy and passion into developing and sharing their papers. Both academic and teacher research papers are represented by writers from Prince Edward Island to British Columbia. We are very proud to present these papers in digital format with special thanks to Professor David V. Loertscher who developed a Book2Cloud publication for us.

The themes that emerged from the papers are important to our understanding of the work ahead.

- Student Needs
- Evidence of Student Growth
- Evidence of Teacher Growth
- Evidence of Whole School Growth

During the time we have together we will be immersed in presentations, investigations, conversations and collaborations to meet the challenges presented. All our work and recommendations will be archived on our wiki http://tmcanada.pbworks.com and consequently accessed by the future standards writing committee.

TMC attendees will be making their mark on the future of learning in Canada. We will be crafting a vision that enables the transformation of school libraries from facility and information based to learning based approaches that will lead teachers and students into knowledge creation and learning for their futures.