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### **School Library Program of the Year Award**

Gallatin Gateway, MT – Gallatin Gateway School has been awarded the **2014 School Library Program of the Year Award**. This award is conferred upon a distinguished Montana Teacher-Librarian and the school's library program. This award recognizes the outstanding achievement of the teacher-librarian, Mrs. Kacee Krob and the entire Gallatin Gateway School staff for fully integrating the school's library program with curricular goals. Teacher collaboration, implementation of new lessons and activities, and improving the physical library environment distinguishes the Gallatin Gateway School Library to be among the top library programs in Montana. A cash award of \$500.00 will be provided by Follett Library Resources to be used for future library program development.

The purpose of this award is to ensure that students and staff are effective users and producers of ideas and information. This award:

- Emphasizes the school library media program's role in the instructional process through professionalism, collaboration, and development of library media center resources that are in support of curricular goals
- Leads information literacy instruction through a variety of models for students, staff, and other community members
- Administers information management systems that support student learning and school and district programs
- Establishes and models a powerful, relevant, and ubiquitous culture of reading in the school community

Each application was judged and awarded based on these key factors:

- How well the library program supports the mission of school library information and technology programs
- Use of the *Montana Standards for Information Literacy/Library Media* and national information literacy standards incorporated into the library program
- Use of technology through the district or library website to expand the reach of library services
- Commitment to educate colleagues about the school's library programs and services

Mrs. Krob, GGS Librarian, and Dr. DeBruycker, GGS Superintendent, will accept this state recognition and award for the Gallatin Gateway School Library on April 10, 2014 at the 2014 Annual Montana Library Association Awards Luncheon held in Billings.

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