

# From Irrelevant to Integral

## A Think Literacy Success Story

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**D**oes your school board have a policy about and procedures for the selection of educational resources? One of the fundamental values of public education is to foster intellectual curiosity. Having access to a broad range of resources is vitally important. Libraries in general, and the school library in particular, have an important role to play in the protection of intellectual freedom and the freedom to read.

A Business Department Head asks for help choosing literacy resources. The Head of the Tech Department wants to know how to order a book on literacy. These may seem like logical questions to ask a teacher-librarian, but they were enough to raise red flags in our minds. Upon further investigation, we discovered that a new board Success for All program had been launched in response to the Ministry of Education's Think Literacy initiative. Boards across the province were responding to the first

