

**Policy Statement:**

AASL monitors and supports legislative issues consistent with our mission and strategic plan. AASL legislative activities will be communicated to the affiliate associations and membership.

**Focus:**

Affiliated organizations and AASL members

**Purpose:**

AASL may support local, state and federal legislation that potentially impacts the practice of school librarians and school library programs.

**Procedure:**

1. Federal legislative issues are monitored by the ALA Washington Office whose services to AASL are included under the operating agreement. The following process is used to address federal legislative issues:
  - a. While the AASL Board of Directors may create a legislative agenda for the association, the ALA Washington Office, in consultation with the Executive Director, will determine the most feasible and eligible items for legislative action (e.g. while ESEA is a high priority for AASL if the legislation will not make it to the floor for a vote in a current year energy and effort would not be spent).
  - b. ALA Washington Office communicates current activities by:
    - i. Direct communication to AASL's Executive Director.