

Core Competencies	
Competency	Definition
Adaptability	The ability to adjust to changing situations
Basic Computer Use / Hardware Knowledge	Demonstrated general understanding of basic computer skills coupled with a basic understanding and knowledge of computer equipment
Communication	The ability, through both verbal and written methods, to provide concise, timely, and accurate information, internally and externally, among all organizational levels and with all appropriate people
Community Awareness	Awareness of community trends and demographics
Customer Service	The ability to efficiently, effectively and positively meet the library needs of internal and external customers
Emergency Preparedness	Awareness of library policies and procedures relevant to emergency preparedness, including natural disasters and security situations
Equipment Troubleshooting	The ability to identify, diagnose, and correct technology problems
Ethics	Knowledge of and compliance with Ohio Ethics Law and the basic ethics and values of library service
Intellectual Freedom	Understanding and supporting the library's role in providing free and equal access to ideas, information, resources, and services, from all points of view, without restriction, to every individual.
Laws	Understanding of applicable local, state, and federal laws; the ability to communicate this information to staff and patrons and to ensure the library's compliance
Library Advocacy	The ability to promote and support the fundamental purpose of the public library
Library Website and Catalog Basics	Demonstrated knowledge of and ability to use the content of the library's website, online catalog, and Integrated Library System
Organizational Awareness	Knowledge of and ability to support the library's mission, vision, culture, and structure; a comprehensive awareness of the library's policies and procedures
Organizational Skills	The ability to identify and prioritize work needs
Problem Solving	The ability to assess situations and troubleshoot in order to identify effective solutions
Teamwork	The ability to work collaboratively with others to achieve organizational goals and objectives