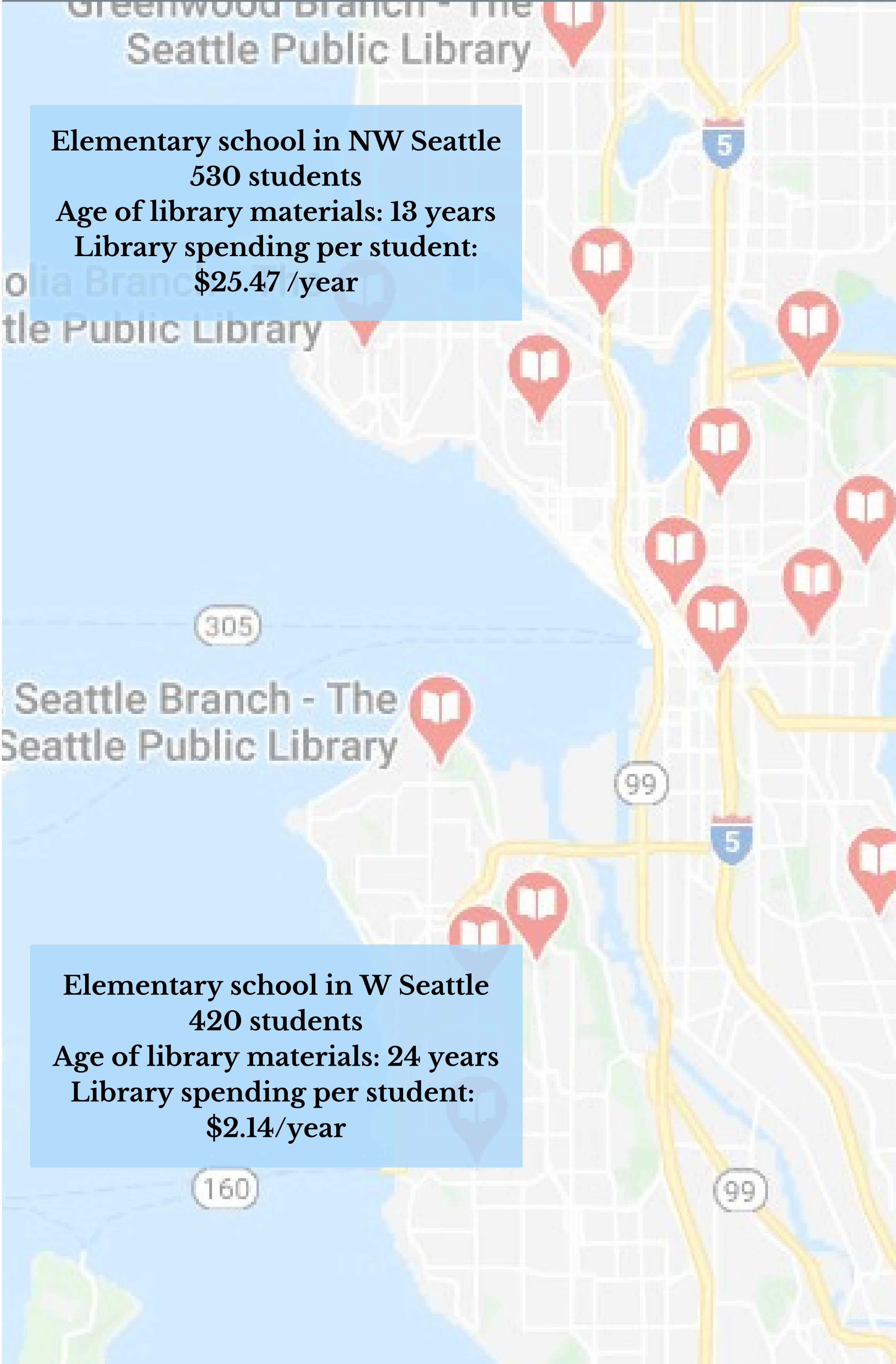


Beyond the Bookmobile: Public (School) Libraries for Every Seattle Child



Elementary school in NW Seattle
530 students
Age of library materials: 13 years
Library spending per student:
\$25.47 /year

Elementary school in W Seattle
420 students
Age of library materials: 24 years
Library spending per student:
\$2.14/year

Problem:

“The very students that most clearly benefit from a quality library are also the least likely to have access to one,” - 2015 WA State School Library Impact Study, Washington Library Media Association

Solution:

Eliminate persistent economic and institutional barriers to access and establish public youth libraries in every Seattle public school through a thorough and cooperative partnership between Seattle Public Libraries and Seattle Public Schools.