Regional Workshops: Collaborative Professional Development for In-Service Librarians in South Carolina, USA

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What Are Regional Workshops?

- Day-long workshops conducted for South Carolina school librarians since 2016
- Conducted in four locations around the state
 - four regions of South Carolina
- Free to participants

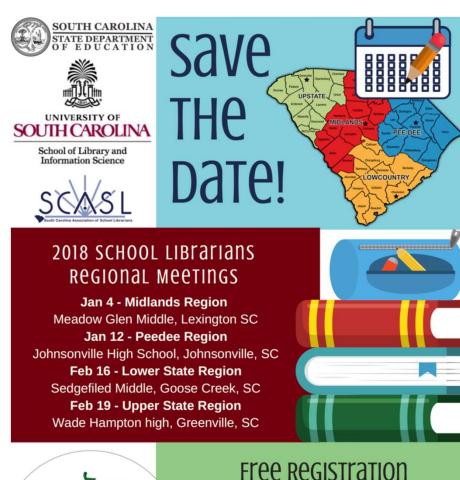




Workshop Partners

- School of Library and Information Science (SLIS) - University of South Carolina (USC)
- South Carolina
 Department of Education
 (DOE)
- South Carolina
 Association of School
 Librarians (SCASL)
- Follett School Library Solutions





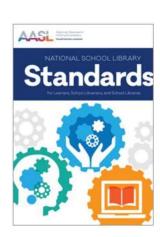


Free Registration
FOLLETT SPONSORED LUNCH
Breakout Sessions
UPDates from Scdoe,
USC-SLIS, & SCASL

Content Covered

- Information / updates from the SC DOE about new statewide initiatives, such as Read 2 Succeed
- Reports from SCASL and SLIS
- Breakout sessions on topics such as:
 - New American Association of School Librarians' Standards
 - Facilities Makerspaces / Learning Commons
 - Using Graphic Novels across the Curriculum
 - STEM Resources
 - Best Websites for Teaching and Learning
 - Building Collaborations Between School & Public Libraries
 - Advocacy
 - The "Write" Stuff for School Librarians





Benefits for Partners and Participants

Partners

- Helps SLIS develop a stronger presence in the state / enhanced relations with USC alumni statewide
- Provides the SC Department of Education with personal contact in the field while providing the latest news / intiatives
- Helps SCASL increase membership / network with current members
- Follett builds their relationships with customers

Participants

- Support system for themselves & their school library programs
- Best practices regarding resources, pedagogy, and curriculum,
- Networking opportunities
- Learn the latest news to take back to their schools
- Receive credits toward recertification of their school library licenses



Feedback from a Partner

Regina H. Thurmond, Education Associate, SC Department of Education Office of Educator Effectiveness and Leadership Development, stated:

"What an incredible way to empower and support our school librarians across the state with best practices and strategies to help lead their school communities. This unique collaborative initiative offers expertise from some of the best in the field and exemplifies the power of teamwork!"



Connection to the IFLA School Library Guidelines

Guidelines 3.5.3 Leadership and Collaboration

"A school librarian should collaborate with other school librarians to extend and continue their professional development and learning."

(IFLA School Libraries Section Standing Committee 2015, 28)



Questions?

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