

SAYL Mail for January 18th

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SAYL News in Brief

Please note: average reading times for linked articles and blog posts are now included with the source.

[Demystifying Librarian Leadership: Five Ways to Find Your Leadership Voice](#) (AASL KQ. 4 min.)

"I mean, let's face it: we don't have administrative or departmental titles, and quite often, nobody has really *asked* us to lead, so some days it is hard to raise our hands and say, 'Yes, I am a leader.'"

[Helping Students Distinguish Fact from Fiction in Primary Sources](#) (Teaching with the Library of Congress. 2 min.)

[On Search Agility: There's More Than One Place to Start](#) (SLJ Neverending Search. 4 min.)

[Some of the Best Academic Search Engines for Teachers and Student Researchers](#) (Educators Technology. 1 min.)

[Citations and Citing Your Work - New Common Craft Video](#) (Free Technology for Teachers. 1 min.)

Scholarships, Grants and Awards Opportunities

[Alaska Association of School Librarians Professional Development Grants](#)

The Alaska State Library, through the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Library Services and Technology Act (Federal Source CFDA 45.310) has generously provided funding for grants to attend conferences and other Professional Development opportunities.

Deadlines:

Online events: 40 days prior to event

Closing January 31st. [School Ambassador Fellowship](#). Paid position that supports the Department's mission by employing a cadre of outstanding educators to contribute their classroom and school expertise to the national education dialogue and in turn facilitate discussions with educators across the country.

Closing February 1st. [Collaborative School Library Award](#). \$2500 award "recognizes and encourages collaboration and partnerships between school librarians and teachers in meeting goals outlined in *Empowering Learners: Guidelines for School Library Programs*."

Closing February 1st. [The Lemony Snicket Prize for Noble Librarians Faced With Adversity](#). "The prize will be a generous amount of cash from Mr. Snicket's disreputable gains (\$10,000), along with an odd, symbolic object from his private stash, and a certificate, which may or may not be suitable for framing."

Closing February 1st. [Inspire Collection Development Grant](#). Up to \$20,000 per year for "an existing public middle or high school can extend, update, and diversify the book, online, subscription and/or software collections in their library in order to realize sustainable improvement in student achievement at their school."

Closing February 1. [The Ruth Toor Grant for Strong Public School Libraries](#). \$3000 to create and implement a project that promotes school library awareness

and its accomplishments to school officials and administrators. + \$2000 to attend AASL or ALA national conference.

Closing February 14. [Schools in Need Giveaway.](#) Win one of 500 subscriptions to Booklist and Book Links magazine.

Closing February 21st. [The Coretta Scott King Book Awards Donation Grant.](#) 60-100 titles by African American authors and illustrators for collection development in latchkey, preschool programs, faith-based reading projects, homeless shelters, charter schools and underfunded libraries.



Closing March 21st. [The Library of Congress Summer Teacher Institutes.](#) Attend a week-long professional development program in the practice of teaching with primary sources, K-12.

Closing March 31st. [Ezra Jack Keats Mini-Grant.](#) Up to \$500 “to provide creative, innovative programs that support or extend the Common Core Standards in education”

For the complete record of scholarships, grants, and other award opportunities posted in SAYL Mail, visit the [SGA Archives.](#)

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Employment Opportunities

[Library Media Assistant](#), Peterson Elementary, Kodiak

[Librarian](#), Ursa Major Elementary, Anchorage

Additional and up-to-date information at [Alaska Teacher Placement](#)

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Training and Continuing

Education Opportunities

The following webinars are no cost and run approximately one hour unless otherwise noted. Opportunities not fitting your schedule? Many of these webinars will later be available as archives.

Monday, January 22nd, 10:30am - [**Making Readers: How the Maker Movement Can Impact Literacy**](#) (Idaho Commission for Libraries)

Tuesday, January 23rd, 10am - [**Mirror, Mirror, Who Do You See in Your Books? Reaching Diverse Readers**](#) (Booklist)

Tuesday, January 23rd, 11am - [**Achieving Media Balance in a Tech-Immersed World**](#) (edWeb)

Tuesday, January 23rd, 11:30-noon - [**OverDrive: The Student User Experience \(K-12\)**](#) (OverDrive)

Wednesday, January 24th, 1pm - [**Google This! The Research Process Revisited**](#) (edWeb)

Tuesday, January 30th, 10am - [**Diversity Titles for Youth and Young Adults**](#) (Booklist)

Tuesday, January 30th, 10am - [**Teaching Media Literacy in the Classroom**](#) (edWeb)

Wednesday, January 31st, 3pm - [**Connecting the Dots: A Look at the National School Library Standards for Policymakers**](#) (AASL)

Wednesday, January 31st, noon - [**Guiding Readers by Interest, Not Level**](#) (SLJ)



Save the Date!

Anchorage Session @ASTE. Saturday, February 17th, 9:30-11:30a - [**Gwyneth Jones -10 Ways the Librarian Can Be a Marketing Genius Like Lady Gaga**](#) (AkASL) \$30

Seattle. Saturday, May 5th, 9am - 5pm PDT - [**School Library**](#)

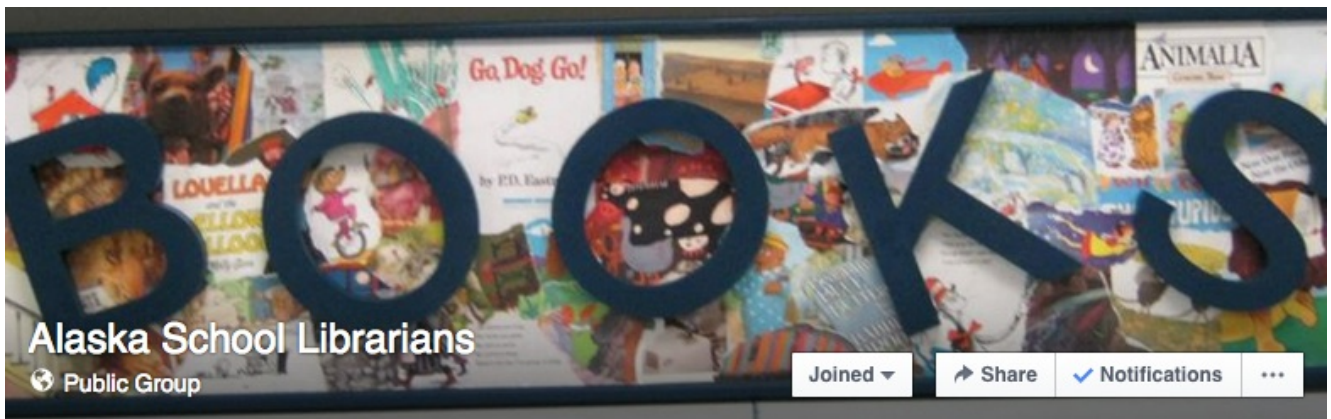
[**Journal's Leadership Camp - Upskilling for the Next Generation**](#) (\$159 - 199)

Juneau. July 23-27th. **Alaska School Librarian Leadership Academy**. *Details to follow!*

Additional and up-to-date opportunities at the [Library Development Training and Continuing Education Calendar](#)

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As Seen on Alaska School Librarians Facebook



A roundup of resources shared and questions asked on the [Alaska School Librarians Facebook group](#). This is intended to give readers the chance to access resources at work if Facebook is filtered. Only timely questions, announcements, and links to non-Facebook resources are listed here.

1/4 - [Mark your calendars!](#)

1/8 - Please fill out [this survey](#) and let Great Alaska Schools know that strong school libraries should be a priority in our state.

1/12 - [Pathfinders Summer Institute](#)

Indiana University Bloomington

July 15-20, 2018

An intensive week of professional development for K-12 public school teachers to learn about Computer Science & Making.

1/14 - [\[A Little Bit Of This... Hybrids\]](#)

1/16 - [\[Connecting the Dots: A Look at the National School Library Standards for Policymakers\]](#)

1/16 - [New Alaska YA Fiction](#)

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Almanac

January is [Braille Literacy Month](#), [Book Blitz Month](#)

January 23rd is [National Readathon](#)

February is Library Lover's Month, [African American History Month](#), and [Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month](#)

February 12th are the [ALA Youth Media Awards](#) (6 am)

February 14th is [International Book Giving Day](#)

February 19th is [President's Day](#). State Library is Closed.

February 22nd is [Digital Learning Day](#)

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Date Due	Borrower's Name	Date Returned
Aug 6 '40	Wanda Allen	Aug 6 '40
Apr 30 '41	J. Westly	May 3 '41
May 10 '41	R. Westly	
May 17 '41		May 16 '41
Jul 1 '41	Ruth Harbor	Aug 25 '41
Dec 12 '42	Bobbie Young	Dec 12 '42
Aug 10 '44	Wanda Allen	Aug 9 '44
Apr 28 '45	Shirley Young	Apr 17 '45
May 2 '45	Wanda Allen	May 2 '45
May 19 '45	Shirley Young	May 18 '45
Dec 14 '45	Colleen Hill	
Dec 14 '45		

Check It Out Next Time!

The next issue will be February 1st. To share news, success stories, resources, and opportunities, please [contact Jared Shucha](#). To get SAYL Mail updates sent to your inbox, [request a subscription](#) to the AkASL listserv and ask a colleague to do the same!

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