

Session A 9:00am-12:00pm \$50.00

Networking & Advocacy: Tools to Promote Your Library Media Program

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In today's world it is more important than ever to stay connected to other professionals in the School Library Media field. Join us for a hands on session, as we explore a number of free web 2.0 tools aimed at building a Personal Learning Network (PLN) to support your professional development and advocacy. We will explore web 2.0 tools that will help you manage your PLN and share tips and tricks for organizing this information. Once you have set up your network, you'll be amazed the great ideas, tools, and teaching strategies that will find their way to your desktop every day. So bring your laptop and let's get connected.

Session B 9:00am-12:00pm \$50.00

SMART Content Creation Seminar

Laura Bowers, SMART Exemplary Educator
Media Coordinator
Westwood Elementary School

Participants in this seminar will learn to create professional and interactive SMART Notebook lesson activities. Various tips and tricks for using SMART Notebook software's interactive tools and Lesson Activity Toolkit will be shared. The lesson activities that are created will be shared with other media coordinators. Each participant needs to bring a laptop (with SMART Notebook 10) and any curriculum materials or lessons that need enhancing.

Session C 1:00pm-4:00pm \$50.00

Web 2.Uh Oh! Making the leap from technoPHOBE to technoFAB!

Jennifer LaGarde
Lead Media Specialist
New Hanover County Schools
Jennifer Northrup
Media Specialist
Flat Rock Middle School

Are you ready to take your practice to the next level, but feel overwhelmed by all the web 2.0 tools and technology gadgets being thrown your way? Do you want to engage today's digital learners in meaningful, technology rich lessons, but still need help mastering these resources yourself? If so, this session is for you! Bring your laptop and a desire to learn! Hands-on experience using the latest cool, often free and ALWAYS impactful technology resources will not only make you the envy of your colleagues but will also ignite the curiosity and enthusiasm of your 21st century learners. Take the skills you learn back to your school to increase your impact and promote your value and the importance of the media center.

Session D 1:00pm-4:00pm \$50.00

Coming to America: Exploring Immigration through Children's and Young Adult Literature

Margaret Gregor, Ed.D., Assistant Professor, Instructional Materials Center Coordinator, Belk Library and Information Commons Appalachian State University

Connie Green, Ph.D., Professor, Language, Reading and Exceptionalities Appalachian State University

North Carolina schools have seen a dramatic increase in the numbers of immigrant students in their classrooms. In this workshop we will explore classroom activities and literature that can be used to help students and teachers understand the immigration process, the reasons why people immigrate to the US, and the challenges immigrant families face in a new culture. We will include photographs and information about schools in Mexico and Guatemala, teacher-tested activities for learning about immigration, and suggestions from principals and teachers in a school that excels in welcoming newcomers. This workshop is appropriate for elementary and middle school media specialists.

Participants will be asked to read *The dragon's child: a story of Angel Island* by Laurence Yep (with Kathleen S. Yep) and *The circuit: stories from the life of a migrant child* by Francisco Jiménez prior to attending the workshop.

Session E Wednesday and Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm Thinkfinity Cadre Training

HYPERLINK "http://it.ncwiseowl.org/resources/thinkfinity_nc/"

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A great tool for collaborative planning, Thinkfinity is a standards-aligned database of lesson plans, learning objects, and reviewed web sites. North Carolina has a professional development grant that includes train the trainer courses, conference presentations, and an online community. This is a two day session that will be held at the Winston Salem Administration Office. This is a "Train the Trainer" course and will require participants to provide professional development within their district after completion. Applicants must fill out a separate form and have Media Director's approval. Media Directors need to send an email of endorsement to HYPERLINK "<mailto:Thinkfinity@dpi.state.nc.us>" Thinkfinity@dpi.state.nc.us. Thinkfinity will pay for travel and per diem for two nights. There is a limit of 25 in the course. Registration must be submitted at least 30 days in advance. Registration is available at HYPERLINK "<http://tinyurl.com/3pvn5ap>" <http://tinyurl.com/3pvn5ap>

Session F

SCHOOL TOURS: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM \$25.00

Visit three media centers in the Winston-Salem Forsyth County School System—one renovated large high school, one historic building middle school, and one new elementary school. Lunch stop at a local restaurant will be included (cost not included). Your tour guide will discuss opening day collections, media center designs, obstacles between "dreams" and "reality", and answer assorted facility questions. Pickup at the front of the Convention Center.

Supervisor's Meeting 4:00pm-6:00pm