

Thursday, November 3rd

Session Title	Session Description	
Session 1 (10:00am - 10:45am)	Digital Book-Making Using a 5-Step Design Thinking Process	In this session, you will learn how to introduce a 5-Step Design Thinking Process to students via a lesson on digital storytelling and book-making. The session will feature how to encourage students to develop their ideas and how to use Canva, Book Creator, and other programs to create a digital book. Other apps that will be mentioned are Padlet and Mentimeter. Ideas from this session can be used to collaborate with teachers from multiple subjects.
	What's New in News Literacy?	This session will cover skills and strategies to verify information online and on social media along with resources and examples for teaching news literacy to students. Free resources for practicing digital verification will be shared as well.
	Adulting 101: Career Prep Collaboration	This presentation is about a collaborative career prep project between high school librarians and English teachers. Focal points include: career exploration, resume writing, dressing for success, and interview preparation. The engaging extension activities created by English teacher, Carey Shenal, enhanced the success of this collaboration--generating excitement and meaningful learning for the students.
	Learnics - A Window to Online Learning Experiences	In today's digital world, students' learning experiences often take place entirely online. Educators and administrators who are not investigating data provided by online learning environments are missing an outstanding opportunity to improve instruction. In this workshop, attendees will learn about Learnics, a robust emerging technology capturing students' online learning experiences.
	Specialist (School Librarian) Helping Specialist (Art and Music)	Are you a former band student? Orchestra student? Took an art class in high school, college or since graduation and have kept the interest? Go outside your "curriculum box" to support your art specialist and/or your music specialist with your interest. This session will cover lesson ideas integrating library information literacy, children's literature and research/reports into the state music and art standards. Leave the session with ideas for you to use and / or share with your music and or art specialists via handout and online access. Realizing some school systems may not employ an art teacher, you can implement visual arts literacy with your library lessons.
	Meet Virginia Authors - Elementary	Ten Virginia authors will present their middle grade and picture books.
	The Bedford Falls Book Fairs Experience	Check out what makes Bedford Falls Book Fairs your best choice for book fairs and literacy events! From a carefully curated selection of books to top notch customer service coupled with the latest in point of sale technology.
Session 2 (11:00am - 11:45am)	Circulation Policies: How Do Yours Stack Up?	Ever wonder what happens in other libraries, what their policies look like? Here's your chance to compare notes and engage in some honest discussion. We'll also share the results from our national School Library Policy and School Library Experience surveys. There will be free books.
	Unlock Titlewave's Collection Development Tools with TitleWise and TitleMap	Have you used TitleWave's collection development goals to advocate for funding, develop SMART goals, and create a collection improvement plan? If you've never used, seen, or heard of TitleMap, come join us to learn how to unlock Follett's full collection development toolbox in Titlewave through the TitleWise Analysis.
	Your Library: The Hub and the Heart of the School	Imagine if you could break down silos and help colleagues create more relevant content for everyday classroom instruction—all while ensuring your library has essential digital resources that are accessible for every learner. Educators would not only feel supported but they'd also have more time to focus on what matters: keeping students engaged and motivated. As a curriculum and instructional resource, Gale In Context: For Educators equips educators with powerful, standards-aligned lesson plans and content from thousands of high-quality sources. Supporting all curriculum areas, this digital resource offers tools to differentiate learning and improve cross-curricular collaboration among educators. With embedded mental health resources and diverse content, For Educators helps schools meet students' needs today, while also offering career and life skills readiness for whatever comes next. Join Heather Hayes at this engaging and interactive session to see For Educators in action.
	Increasing Student Achievement: Frontloading Vocabulary and Academic Discourse	Frontloading vocabulary and providing time for academic discourse are two proven ways to increase student achievement for all students. How can you add those two strategies to your already limited time? Join this session to find out!
	Book Tasting for High School: Sunny Cafe Edition	Stop by the Sunny Cafe to get first hand experience of a book tasting for AP English 12 students. You will have the experience of the students with the added benefit of seeing the behind the scenes aspects of online ordering, receipt printing and order delivery.
	Can Compassion Be Our Compass? Delving into Complex Questions of Diversity without Distrust	How do we proceed when there are ongoing debates that impact a young person's right to read and write - such as book challenges, or what to do with problematic classics? Honoring diversity requires that we constantly learn and unlearn, that we are as sensitive and aware as we can be, and that we appreciate the importance of nuance. Padma Venkatraman will begin with a keynote that highlights times in her journey as an author as well as aspects of her process that forced her to delve into questions of diversity that have no simple answers. She will suggest ways in which attendees may discuss these issues and engage in Q & A and will suggest some resources and approaches that may be of use to educators and librarians as the kidlit community grapples with important and complex questions.
	Sharing Your Library Out Loud	There are great things happening in your library that would be awesome to share with the greater school library community. Ever wondered how people get published in a school library magazine, online formats, presenting at conference, etc.? Not only do you help the field, but you help yourself, too! Come hear some of the ins and outs for Sharing your Library!

	Virginia Readers' Choice Primary and Elementary Book Talks (2022-2023 book lists)	Book talks, featuring the primary and elementary selections for 2022/2023, along with activity ideas to extend the reading of each book.
Session 3 (2:00pm - 2:45pm)	Set Sail	Join Captain Steve on a high-seas adventure in search of the treasure of reading and good character! Come see a live demo of this riveting reading assembly. Set Sail is an amazing voyage using magic, puppets, music and tons of audience interaction.
	Reading Makes Cents: Sloths, Squirrels, Hurricanes, and Mankillers	Reading Makes Cents is a K-5 financial literacy program sponsored by Virginia 529 and the Virginia Council on Economic Education that provides free books and student recognition. Attendees will be introduced to the three new titles, learn about the program, and receive access to related lesson plans. Includes door prizes.
	Strengthening School Community through Social-Emotional Learning in the Library	This session shares specific social-emotional learning experiences in the library that foster school-wide community. Elementary public school librarians Julia Trammell-McGill and Anne James will present a variety of lessons and techniques they've used in their libraries, along with suggestions for implementation.
	Partnering with TLC for Library Solutions	At TLC, we understand the differing needs of a school library. We design our library software for centralized districts, with autonomy for individual schools. With collaboration from library partners, like Chesterfield County Public Schools, we develop solutions. Join our session to learn how our customer-centric approach to support remains unrivaled in the K-12 industry today. We'll showcase: Library•Solution for Schools — 100% web-based K-12 library management with age-appropriate user experiences; TLC•Cloud Services — A cloud hosting service that utilizes Oracle Cloud Infrastructure; TLC•Go! — A customizable library app that lets students checkout from their own device. Discover what a partnership with TLC could mean for your library.
	Five Free Reading Activities to Boost Creativity, Coordination, and Comprehension	Start with a woven basket that's really a reading response journal. Move on to little paper books that can become diaries, commonplace books, or study guides. Young readers can choose their own adventure or pick a topic, then discover titles in different genres using what used to be a paper fortune teller. Students can adapt a paper balloon to introduce themselves, create a literary character analysis or hint at a surprise ending. Finally, they can celebrate themselves or their library favorites using folded paper stars that also teach measurement and simple long division or fractions. And all of this uses only plain 8.5 x 11" paper, scissors, something to write with and perhaps the occasional bit of tape.
	100 (or more) NEW Middle Grade and Young Adult Books	Hear about recently published titles that are favorites (or duds), all of them read personally by the presenters.
	A Day in the Life of the Library: Dynamic Spaces at Work	From open checkout to lessons and small groups, the library needs to be many things to many learners. Get hands-on strategies for adapting library spaces to create flexible learning environments. See how libraries in all grade levels transform throughout the day.
	Tackling Race in Librarianship	This session will address the critical intersection of race and librarianship. In addition, we will go beyond the popular discussion of the diversity of texts to tackling librarian diversity and the lack of representation's continuing detrimental impact on our profession and the youth we serve.
Session 4 (3:00pm - 3:45pm)	What's New with Google's CS First	Come learn how CS First is enhancing its curriculum with the latest introductory unit Welcome to CS First. Get equipped for the upcoming Hour of Code and CS Ed week (Dec. 5-11) and be ready to utilize this engaging program with your students grades 3-8.
	Diverse Books: VAREads and Library	Come learn about diverse picture books and middle grade books and activities and book pairings to go along with the books. You will walk away with ready to use ideas to share these books with your students K-6!
	Alright Stop, Collaborate, and Listen!	Have you ever felt like your colleagues think all you do is check out books all day? Challenge this outdated view by following the prodigious advice from Vanilla Ice: "Alright stop, collaborate, and listen." In this session, we're here to help you get started on your collaboration journey!
	Bringing History Research to Life in the Library	As school librarians, we understand teachers feel pressure to cover content while also building research skills. This session focuses on a sustained partnership between our library and US History teachers. We'll share strategies for embedding news literacy and research skills into content based instruction throughout the school year.
	Get Lit with ProjectLit	Two teacher librarians discuss ways to incorporate ProjectLIT into library programming and the classroom, touching on classroom collaboration, book clubs, and supplementing the curriculum in both middle and high school.
	Making Space for Creativity in a Secondary Library	In 2021 I was awarded an AASL Inspire Special Event Grant for my grant application, titled "A Year of Thinking Creatively in a Secondary Library." In this session I will share month by month the games, passive programming, and crafts I provided for students during the 2021-2022 school year.
	A Smorgasbord of Engagement: Activities Your Teenagers Might Actually Like	Want to bring more fun into your library? Attend this session to learn about easy, low-cost activities that two librarians use to amplify student engagement beyond reading and formal research. There will be time to share your ideas, too! Let's make your library the place to be!
	March Book Madness: Scoring Points with Books!	Learn different ways to implement a March Book Madness tournament at your school. We will discuss bracket competitions, book selection, student and staff involvement, time frames and more.
	Topics and Trends to Amplify Student Voice	In this session we will explore ten topics and trends that amplify student voice as they think, create, share, and grow. You will leave this fast-paced, information-filled session feeling challenged, energized, and invigorated to make a difference in student learning.