

# Texas Association of School Library Administrators (TASLA)

## Annual Workshop; June 18-20, 2013



### Monday, June 17, 2013

**5:30 pm** | Welcome Reception provided by Holiday Inn Austin Midtown

**7:00 pm** | Dinner Sponsored by Cengage Learning/Gale

*Threadgill's, 301 West Riverside Drive (NEW LOCATION)*

*Please RSVP to Tammy McGee; tammy.mcgee@cengage.com or 817-781-0456*

### Tuesday, June 18, 2013

**7:00-8:00 am** | Breakfast Sponsored by: Capstone (represented by Norm Berning)

**8:00-8:30 am** | Welcome and Introductions **Marty Rossi**

**8:30-10:00 am** | Understanding by Design **Mary Keeling**

Mary will introduce participants to the Understanding by Design Curriculum framework. Known as the Backward Design model, this framework is unique in that it begins with the end in mind. Rather than planning from an activity-centered focus, the school librarian first identifies the Big Ideas behind content standards. From these Big Ideas, the school librarian develops Enduring Understandings and Essential Questions to guide student inquiry.

**10:00-10:30 am** | Break Sponsored by: Enslow Publishing and Escue & Associates

**10:30-12:00 pm** | Assessing for Learning **Mary Keeling**

Violet Harada and Joan Yoshina authored the first text that focused on learning assessment in a school library context. Mary Keeling will discuss the importance of students assessing their own learning using strategies from Assessing for Learning: Librarians and Teachers as Partners. She will show specific examples of how assessment can be incorporated into various library-related learning activities.

**12:00-1:00 pm** | Lunch Sponsored by: Follett

**1:00-2:30 pm** | Research on Assessment **Gayla Byerly**

Gayla Byerly - Assessment Coordinator for the UNT Libraries will discuss what assessment strategies are most effective based on the research and ways you can incorporate those strategies in your own library.

**2:30-3:00 pm** | Break Sponsored by: The Child's World

**3:00-4:30 pm** | Assessment in Practice **Sherry Brandt, Noel Hill**

Practicing librarians show how they use assessment in their own libraries.

**4:30-5:00 pm** | TASLA Business Meeting

**6:30 pm** | Dinner Sponsored by: Mackin

*The Iron Cactus (Austin Downtown) 606 Trinity Street, Austin, TX 78701*

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## Wednesday, June 19, 2013



**7:00-8:00 am** | **Breakfast Sponsored by: Capstone (represented by Escue & Assoc.)**

**8:00-8:30 am** | **TLA Update** **Gloria Meraz**

**8:30-10:00 am** | **Campus Areas of Distinction** **Susan Mann & Jennifer LaBoon**

Perhaps you have heard of the Program Distinction Designations for Fine Arts, Athletics, and Second Language Acquisition, but have you heard of the one for Libraries and Technology? It is called the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Workforce Development Program. As required by statute, the criteria for the new distinction designations will be developed by an advisory committee of experts, educators, and community leaders appointed by the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the house. The 21st Century Workforce Development Program committee will convene through 2013 to develop distinction designations that can be awarded as early as 2014. Susan Mann, Director of the Hillsboro Public Library, and Jennifer LaBoon, Library Technology Supervisor for Ft. Worth ISD are two members of this committee and will bring you the latest information on this designation.

**10:00-10:30 am** | **Break Sponsored by: Rosen Publishing & Bearport Publishing**

**10:30-12:00 pm** | **K-20 Vertical Alignment of Research Skills Panel**  
**Barbara Schultz-Jones, Daniella Smith, Gayla Byerly, Donna Kearley**

The Denton Inquiry 4 Lifelong Learning is a collaborative project among librarians serving the constituencies of a range of institutions in the greater Denton literacy community. The collaborators include Denton ISD, Denton Public Library, Texas Woman's University (TWU) Blagg-Huey Library, TWU's Department of Library and Information Studies, University of North Texas (UNT) Department of Library and Information Science, and UNT's Willis Library. Working together to build student research skills, the collaborators share an investment in lifelong learning in our community. The collaborative focuses its efforts on positively impacting the literacy of pre-kindergarten through graduate school learners through strengthening opportunities for practicing skills and strategies required to become effective users of ideas and information, producers of knowledge, and participants in the civic, social, and political spheres of our community, the nation, and the world.

**12:00-1:00 pm** | **Lunch Sponsored by: Children's Plus**

**1:00-2:30 pm** | **Statewide Evaluation (NY Model) Paige Jaeger**

Paige Jaeger will discuss the process of creating and gaining approval of a statewide evaluation model for librarians. This rubric means that school librarians will be evaluated as school librarians, not classroom teachers and was the third submission in an effort led by the Section of School Librarians (SSL) of NYLA and the NYS School Library Systems Association (SLSA).

After this presentation, the TASLA group will be given an opportunity to discuss what they learned and see what types of advocacy the group might like to put together in the State of Texas.

**2:30-3:00 pm** | **Break Sponsored by: Crabtree Publishing & Creative Education**

**3:00-5:00 pm** | **Appy Hour** **Robin Stout**

Bring Your Tablets and come join the fun. Librarians from the North Texas Area will share apps, their cost, and instructional strategies for using these apps in a round table discussion led by Robin Stout, Lewisville ISD. Apps will be for Windows 8, Android, or IOS (Apple) tablets.

**6:00 pm** | **Dinner Sponsored by: Bound to Stay Bound, Britannica & EBSCO**

*The Oasis, 6550 Comanche Trail, Austin, TX 78732*

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## Thursday, June 20, 2013



**7:00-8:00 am** | **Breakfast Sponsored by: PermaBound**

**8:00-8:30 am** | **TEA Update** **Karen Kahan**

**8:30-9:00 am** | **TSLAC Update** **Edward Seidenberg**

**9:00-10:00 am** | **KanBan** **Patty Windsor**

Overwhelmed with the amount of work to be done? Need help finding a way to manage all the different tasks you are asked to complete? Personal Kanban borrows from several Lean principles and practices. With just two simple acts - visualizing work and limiting work in progress - Personal Kanban gives us clarity over your work and your goals, and the unprecedented ability to deal with distractions, manage expectations, make better decisions, and ultimately find a healthy balance between our professional, personal, and social lives.

**10:00-10:30 am** | **Round Table Discussions**

During this discussion time we will divide by size of district to discuss 3 questions:

- What is going well for you right now in your district?
- What issues are you having trouble with?
- What are your long term goals for your libraries?

**10:30-12:00 pm** | **Social Media in the Classroom** **Alicia VandenBroek**

Focusing on ways social bookmarking can impact libraries and increase collaborations with both patrons and faculty, this Arlington ISD librarian introduces a variety of social bookmarking websites with helpful tutorials and activities for a wide range of users. It addresses social bookmarking sites such as Delicious/Avos, LaterThis, Jog the Web, Sqworl, LiveBinders, Diigo, and covers shared bookmarking with QR codes.

Alicia shares practical information on how to use these tools in the classroom or school library to create personal learning networks and provide resources for patrons. She will offer ways classroom teachers can work collaboratively with librarians to incorporate social bookmarking into the classroom. Activities are developmentally appropriate for primary grade students up to adults.

**12:00 pm** | **Dismissal**