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## ND Academic OverDrive Consortium Funding

We are pleased to announce that the North Dakota State Library will pay the licensing fees for the first year of all new academic OverDrive customers who commit to the new academic consortium by October 1, 2022. We are working with OverDrive to determine if there is a way to renew the licensing fees for existing customers by the end of the year so that we can pay those fees as well.

In addition to startup costs, the State Library will purchase a collection that will be available for all consortium members on launch day. We are excited to be able to provide this funding for our academic community via the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the American Rescue Plan Act.

If you have any questions, please contact James W. Murphy at [jwmurphy@nd.gov](mailto:jwmurphy@nd.gov), [ndsl-ld@nd.gov](mailto:ndsl-ld@nd.gov), or (701) 328-3495.



## North Dakota Vocational Rehabilitation Senior Community Service Employment Program

The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is a community service and work-based job training program for older Americans.

Authorized by the Older Americans Act, the SCSEP matches people 55 and older with part-time work opportunities to help not-for-profit employers and community organizations meet their workforce needs. SCSEP participants gain work experience in a variety of community service activities at non-profit and public facilities. Participants work an average of 20 hours a week and are paid the highest of federal, state, or local minimum wage. Participants must be at least 55, unemployed, and have a family income of no more than 125% of the federal poverty level. This program is currently serving 14 counties.

A promotional graphic for the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). It features three photos of diverse older adults (two men and one woman) smiling. Below the photos, the text reads "GROW YOUR WORKFORCE AT NO COST TO YOU." There are two columns of text: "The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is a federally funded job training program that matches people 55 and older with part-time work opportunities to help not-for-profit employers and community organizations meet their workforce needs." and "The program pays participants while you train them with the skills they need to help you." Below this is a map of North Dakota with 14 counties highlighted in orange. To the right of the map, it says "WHO QUALIFIES? People 55 and older who are unemployed and earn less than \$22,888 for a household of two. The program serves 14 counties." At the bottom, it says "Dakota Vocational Rehabilitation" and "HUMAN SERVICES". At the very bottom, it says "To learn more, contact Cheri L. Young, SCSEP Administrator | [clyoung@nd.gov](mailto:clyoung@nd.gov) | 701.204.3279 | 1.800.755.2745, 711 (TTY)"

There may be some libraries that could use some help but can't necessarily pay someone. This program pays participants while you train them to help you.

For more information about this program or to see the SCSEP Administrator can match up a participant with your library, please contact Cheri Young, SCSEP Administrator, at 1-701-204-3279 or [clyoung@nd.gov](mailto:clyoung@nd.gov).



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## Upcoming North Dakota State Library Webinars

### Front Line Library Basics: Reader Advisory Tips and Tricks Featuring NovelList August 31 (2:00 PM)

Have you ever had a patron ask you for a good book recommendation? Or do you have a patron who wants the next three books in the series they are reading? This webinar will explore the topic of readers' advisory and examine the online library resource NovelList.

**Registration:**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_WK82mfXnRkeAZ-oMvQvGqg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WK82mfXnRkeAZ-oMvQvGqg)

### North Dakota State Library Services Review September 14 (4:00 PM)

Are you a new school librarian or need a refresher on State Library Services? This webinar is designed to provide an overview of what services and resources the North Dakota State Library offers to school librarians. Our role is to support you as you help your students.

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### OCLC WorldCat FirstSearch Basics and Interlibrary Loan September 20 (3:00 PM)

No library has everything that every one of their patrons needs. Libraries need to share materials between each other to serve the needs of their patrons. This webinar will present information on how to successfully send Interlibrary Loan requests to the North Dakota State Library using FirstSearch.

**Register:**

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## Beginning of the School Year Activities

Welcome back, educators! The first few weeks of school can be a bit daunting, but also an exciting time. In today's Teaching Tidbit, I am going to highlight some beginning-of-the-school-year activities.

### For Librarians and Library Staff

1. Determine checkout procedures.
  - How will students and teachers check out materials?
    - Lunch numbers?
    - Student/Teacher ID numbers?
    - By their names?
    - Otherwise assigned barcodes?
  - Will a keypad be used by patrons to input barcodes, or, will barcodes be scanned by library staff?
  - Is there a limit to how many materials each library user may check out at once?
  - How long are materials checked out? One week? Two weeks? A month?
  - How often may materials be renewed?

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## A Quick Reminder From The New Grants Coordinator

Submitted by James W. Murphy

I hope everything is going well with your Library Vision grant application process. If you would like me to review your grant application for feedback, please email it no later than the close of business next Friday, August 26th. The sooner I receive it, the more attention I can give you in the feedback process. If your library has not used Counting Opinions before, I would also recommend making sure your account and login are ready to go before the 26th, as well.

Finally, I already had a vacation scheduled before I moved into this position, so I will not be available for assistance on the afternoon of the 30th or the entire day of the 31st. Please try not to wait until the last couple of days if you think you might need any help. We are excited to see all the interesting ideas that you have for your libraries!

Please contact me at [jwmurphy@nd.gov](mailto:jwmurphy@nd.gov) or at 701-328-3495.

## North Dakota Libraries Tidbits

Friends of the Griggs County Public Library will hold a pancake breakfast on





## West Fargo Schools librarian awarded statewide grant

(West Fargo, ND) -- A West Fargo Schools librarian has been awarded a statewide grant. North Dakota State School Superintendent Kirsten Baesler announced Monday that Callie Navarathne, a librarian in West Fargo's Heritage Middle School, has been awarded a teacher innovation grant to expand the library's "makerspace" for student projects.

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## Minot Public Library presents checks to organizations

MINOT, N.D. (KXNET) - A public library has made multiple donations thanks to the help from summer campers. Funds that were collected through the summer reading program were donated to three Minot organizations. However, the kids in the reading programs picked where the money went to.

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August 28. All funds will be used to support programs at the library.

Carrington Friends of the Library held a book sale.

Bowman Regional Public Library received a donation from Buried Treasure Garden Center for their Seed Library.

Minot Public Library has a graphing calculator, Chromebook, and Wi-Fi Hotspots that can be checked out.

Dickinson Area Public Library Friends of the Library received a \$1,000 donation from Spartan Nash and Family Fare through their Direct Your Dollars program. These funds will be used to purchase robots for the library's MakerSpace program.

Maddie Cummings, Director of Outreach and Innovation at the Lake Region Public Library, will have an article published in the Journal of New Librarianship.

Walhalla Public Library held a 4x4 fundraiser.

Kindred Public Library held a Festival of Tables event with fun table themes/decor, food, and a vintage fashion show.

Bismarck Veterans Memorial Public Library is adding more binge boxes to its collection thanks to an anonymous donation made through the Bismarck Library Foundation.

Grand Forks' Little Red Reading Bus surpassed 37,000 checkouts.

Enderlin Municipal Library has some new comfortable seating.

West Fargo Public Library added a lactation room for public use.

Morton Mandan Public Library will reopen on Monday, August 29.

Hazen Public Library held a Chalkfest Fundraiser.

NDSU Libraries have new Virtual Reality Labs with Oculus Rift and VIVE Pro.



## Software Overview: XnConvert

Software for digitization projects or digital collection management can get expensive,

particularly when you need multiple programs for different purposes (editing, converting, renaming, etc.) and formats (images, documents, video, audio, OCR, etc.). The Digital Initiatives Department is all for low-cost options when it comes to software.

Last month, an [overview was provided of how awesome GIMP is](#) as a free image editor. This month, we'll examine another useful image software: XnConvert. According to its website, XnConvert is "a fast, powerful and free cross-platform batch image converter." All common image formats are supported.

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## Attention Elementary School Librarians!

The Library Speakers Consortium is looking to bring virtual author events to elementary schools! For a fee, based on student population per school, students will have access to 2-3 interactive events each month. These author visits are recorded so that they can be viewed outside their live sessions.

An informational Zoom meeting will be held on September 19 (4:00 - 4:45 CT).

Register at [https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEpd-CoqzwvEtdRqzGfSfzk\\_Cv5iw2aURJH](https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEpd-CoqzwvEtdRqzGfSfzk_Cv5iw2aURJH).



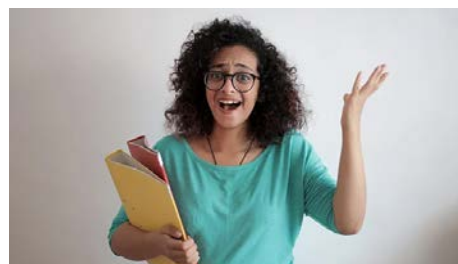
## 2022 National Book Festival

Books bring us together! Come to the nation's capital over Labor Day weekend as we return to the Walter E. Washington Convention Center on Saturday, Sept. 3. If you can't join us in Washington, D.C. for a day of free talks and activities, several programs will be livestreamed, and video of all talks can be viewed online after the Festival concludes.

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## Other News, Grants, and Webinars

More webinar information can be found at:  
<http://library.nd.gov/publications/webinars.pdf>  
<https://library-nd.libguides.com/c.php?g=1018436&p=8791171>.



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## Grants help teachers introduce new STEM opportunities

"There's 12,000 teachers in the state of North Dakota, all 12,000 have great ideas. You could be the next teacher that receives the grant award as the recipient and encourage them to reach out to us if they have any questions," ND Superintendent of Public Instruction Kirsten Baesler said.

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## Poster Competition - National Arts & Humanities Month

Calling all artists! Enter the 2022 National Arts & Humanities Month poster design competition for a chance to win a cash prize and have your artwork represent NAHM throughout the month of October. The theme for the competition is Championing the Creative Spirit.

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## CSLP Annual Survey 2022

The Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) is a consortium of states working together to provide high-quality summer reading program materials for children, teens, and adults at the lowest cost possible for their public libraries.

## Difficult!

Discover methods to steer uncomfortable situations onto a healthier path. Therapist Casey Coker and librarian Kevin King discuss how to deal with difficult patrons and co-workers in this fun and informative session.

Participants will learn the unseen influences that may cause people to act in difficult ways and how to put ourselves and others in a healthier context when we are interacting personally and professionally

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## Connecting Communities Digital Initiative (CCDI)

The Connecting Communities Digital Initiative encourages creators in Black, Indigenous, and communities of color to combine Library materials with technology to connect Americans with a more expansive understanding of our past and future.

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## Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week is the annual celebration of the freedom to read. Banned Books Week 2022 will be held September 18 – 24. The theme of this year's event is "Books Unite Us. Censorship Divides Us."

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For the purposes of this survey, we use the phrase "summer library program" in equivalence to summer reading program or summer learning program.

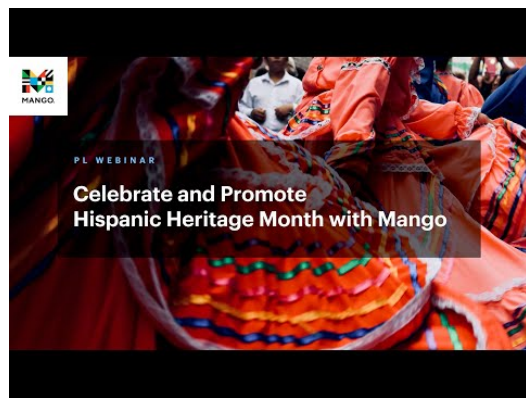
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## Trending Titles for Back to School

Autumn is a time for change, from leaves on trees to the start of the school year and the new experiences it can bring. OverDrive's annual Back to School sale is the perfect time to fall in love with savings while you find titles to meet the changing needs of juvenile and young adult readers in your community.

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## Celebrate and Promote Hispanic Heritage Month with Mango Languages | Webinar

September is Hispanic Heritage Month! Join our friendly Mango Languages advocates Malika, Sabrina, and Cruz in this 30-minute webinar. We'll take you on a tour of our Hispanic language courses, learn more about the culture, and share fun facts and tips to help you promote Mango and increase community engagement.

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