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ILHB adopts new regulatory requirements for Public Libraries

The Indiana State Library and Historic Board held a public hearing on Friday, December 4, to consider comments and deliberate on the proposed revisions to Indiana's public library standards. The hearing was the final culmination of the efforts of the standards committee members who gave so generously of their time to meet and determine appropriate modifications to the existing public library standards.

The public hearing concluded with a motion and unanimous vote approving the revised standards. If the proposed rule is approved by

2016 Teen Tech Week™ focuses on STEAM and underserved teens

The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA) invites library staff to encourage teens to "Create it at your library" for Teen Tech Week™ 2016.

This year's theme, "Create it at your library," encourages libraries to tailor the theme to show their community exactly how libraries can connect in meaningful ways with teens in order to help them gain STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) skills.

Teen Tech Week will take place March 6-12, 2016. Library staff are encouraged to visit and join the

applications for Talking
Books & Braille tech grant

Indiana Library Jobs

Digital Systems and Support
Associate (Part-Time)
Marian University

Access Services Associate (Part-
Time)
Marian University

Children's Librarian
Johnson County Public Library

Manager, Learning Curve
Indianapolis Public Library

Youth Librarian
Tippecanoe County Public Library

Youth Services Manager
Alexandria-Monroe Public Library

Cataloger- (2 positions)
Indianapolis Public Library

Administrative Assistant (Part-Time)
Hussy-Mayfield Memorial Public
Library

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openings listed on the ISL
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the Indiana Attorney General and
Governor's office, the revised
standards will take effect January
1, 2017.

Click here to view the adopted rule
15-83 regarding public library
standards.

55 Organizations Awarded Next Indiana Bookshelf Sets

The Indiana Center for the Book
and Indiana Humanities have
awarded 55 libraries, schools and
organizations a free Next Indiana
Bookshelf set. Awarded
organizations span the state, from
Aurora to Gary, Evansville to
Angola.

The Next Indiana Bookshelf is a set
of 13 titles designed to encourage
thinking and discussion about the
present and future of Indiana
during the Hoosier Bicentennial. It
features fiction, nonfiction, essays
and poetry. Each book has a strong
connection to Indiana, either set in
Indiana and/or written by a
Hoosier author. To learn more
about the titles featured on the
Next Indiana Bookshelf, visit
www.indianahumanities.org/next-
indiana-bookshelf.

"The Next Indiana Bookshelf has
the ability to create powerful
conversations around our state as
we use the Bicentennial to
contemplate not only our past, but
also our future" said Keira
Amstutz, president and CEO of
Indiana Humanities. "With 90
applications from across the state,
it's exciting to see so many
communities interested in
celebrating Indiana's
Bicentennial."

Click here to read more.

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official Teen Tech Week website for
free to access to planning and
promotional resources and to
exchange ideas with fellow library
staff.

Click here to read the entire article.

Everything You Ever Wanted to Know about SRCS

SRCS, the Statewide Remote
Circulation System, will allow
patrons to search a virtual union
catalog and to place unmediated
requests to have materials shipped
to their local library where they can
check them out.

As of today, 42 libraries have
submitted letters of intent to join
SRCS. That group includes eight
Class A Public Libraries, 13 Class B,
13 Class C, seven Academic
libraries and the Indiana State
Library. This pool of libraries
includes libraries running
Evergreen Indiana, Millennium,
Polaris, Sierra, Koha, OCLC WMS,
Horizon, Symphony and TLC
Library Solutions with a combined
catalog of 6.6 million items.

If you missed the official
announcement of SRCS at ILF, the
session will be presented twice as a
webinar on

• Wednesday, December 9, 2015 at
10 am.
• Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 2
pm (Repeat of 12/9 session)

Please join us on either of these
dates to hear all about SRCS -
What is it, what the requirements
are, and how your library can join
in!

Questions? Feel free to contact me
at steschmidt@library.in.gov

[8 northeast Indiana libraries to get Bicentennial 'bookshelf'](#)
Angola Public Library

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IU Southeast Library

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Indianapolis Public Library

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New Castle Public Library

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Seymour Public Library

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Upcoming Workshops & Important Dates

[Soft Skills for Supervisors and Managers](#)
10am-11am
When: Wednesday, January 13
Where: Webinar

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Early Literacy Materials from the Indiana Dept of Education

In the next few weeks, all public libraries in Indiana will receive a "bundle" (box) of materials from The National Center for Families Learning and Hoosier Family of Readers, Superintendent Glenda Ritz's literacy initiative. This is the third year of her mission: to build a culture of readers in Indiana by supporting schools and public libraries in their mission to get books in the hands of students and their families. We encourage you to schedule a family engagement event at your library soon to promote her mission. The bundle will contain all the materials you will need to host a family engagement event in your library. Included will be an event guide to help you plan the event, as well as 30 copies each of a parent guide, a poster for each family to help them record their reading, a bookmark for each family that provides conversation starters for parents when reading with their child, and a suggested booklist to encourage reading in a variety of topics and genres. Superintendent Ritz would like to attend your event as her schedule permits. In the bundle, you will find a letter from her with instructions on how to contact her if you would like to invite her to your event. Contact Jill Lyday, Secondary Literacy Specialist/Hoosier Family of Readers Initiative/Indiana Department of Education at jlyday@doe.in.gov for further information or questions.

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Indiana State Library Foundation welcomes applications for Talking Books & Braille tech grant

The Indiana State Library Foundation in collaboration with the Indiana State Library's Talking Books & Braille Library is seeking applicants for a new grant supporting patrons with the purchase of assistive technology devices. The grants will provide monetary reimbursements in an amount ranging from $50 to $1,000 towards the purchase of an assistive technology device of the grant recipient's choosing. These devices remove many barriers to education and employment for visually impaired individuals and may include: video magnifiers, optical character recognition systems, speech systems, etc.

Indiana State Library Foundation Chairman Robert Barcus stated, "The foundation is pleased to support visually impaired patrons in the purchase of much needed assistive technology devices. These devices not only make it possible for the visually impaired to experience the joy of books, they also provide access to a world of technology that can lead the way to independent living."

"For years the Talking Books & Braille Library has served visually and physically impaired Hoosiers. The technologies grant program will further the State Library's mission of serving all Indiana residents, leading and supporting the library community, and preserving Indiana history," said State Librarian Jacob Speer.

To apply for an Indiana State Library Foundation grant, [click here.](#)

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