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Certification rule change reminder



New certification rules went into effect in January. The substantive changes that took effect include:

The amount of professional library work done in the normal course of the librarian's daily activities which triggers the need to be certified is now 75%. So, if an individual is doing professional

Upcoming workshops and important dates

[Get Ready to Recommend: Using Book Connections for Reader's Advisory](#)

When: March 30, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[What the Research Says - A Week in the Life of an Academic Video Game Collection](#)

When: April 5, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

[Professional Development Roundtable](#)

When: April 6, 2-3 p.m.
Where: Webinar

[Inspiring Library Growth Through Outreach](#)

When: April 12, 10-11 a.m.
Where: Webinar

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Johnson County Public Library

[Technology and Facilities Assistant](#)

Kokomo-Howard County Public Library

[Head Adult Services Librarian](#)

Tippecanoe County Public Library

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In the news



librarian work 75% of the time or more, they need to be certified. This includes if they are part time and they spend 75% or more of their part-time hours doing professional librarian work.

Individuals who have a first temporary permit, and are applying for a second, may use LEUs earned not only during the effective dates of the first temporary permit, but also up to six months prior to the effective date of the first temporary permit. This captures the LEUs earned during the period when the person is first hired but has to wait the six months to get their first temporary permit. The same is true for individuals earning LEUs under their first five-year certificate. They may count LEUs earned between the time they were hired into that position and the effective date of their first five-year certificate, up to a maximum of a six-month period prior to the effective date of the five-year certificate.

Technical Library Education Units, known as TLEUs, are no longer required for any temporary permit or five-year certificate renewed going forward. This is true even if the effective date of the temporary permit or five-year certificate was prior to Jan. 1, 2023.

The LC 4 and LC 5 certificates no longer require specific library courses. Separate library courses of any titles taken at an accredited college or university will now be eligible for librarians to use to qualify for the LC 4 and LC 5 certificates.

There were also some small tweaks and clarifications made to the certification rule, as well as a reorganization of the applicable

[Collection Development, Analysis and Promotion with Book Connections](#)

When: April 13, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Where: Webinar

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: April 26, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Where: Monroe County Public Library - Ellettsville Branch

[What's Up Wednesday - LaPorte County Public Library and The Exchange](#)

When: April 26, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Every Child Ready to Read and School Readiness in Storytime](#)

When: May 4, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Central Time

Where: Jasper County Public Library - Wheatfield Branch

[What's Up Wednesday? Beyond Books: Serving the Whole Patron](#)

When: May 10, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[What Candidates Want: Revamping your Recruitment](#)

When: May 17, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Webmaster Roundtable - Virtual and In Person](#)

When: May 23, 1-3 p.m. Central Time

Where: Webinar and Lowell Public Library

[What's Up Wednesday - Digital Inclusion](#)

When: May 31, 10-11 a.m.

Where: Webinar

[Find your roots in Fort Wayne: Visit the Genealogy Center on a getaway to Indiana's second city](#)
Allen County Public Library

[George Washington artifact viewing held at county library](#)
Allen County Public Library

[Library releases results of diversity audit of its collection](#)
Bartholomew County Public Library

[Floyd County Library panel promotes civil discourse](#)
Floyd County Library

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Greenwood Public Library

[Library announces April programs](#)
Jackson County Public Library

[Seeds available for spring planting at libraries](#)
Jackson County Public Library

[KCPL is jumping into spring projects](#)
Knox County Public Library

[Dolly Parton's Imagination Library to launch in Lebanon](#)
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[PCPL offering new kiosk for legal resources](#)
Putnam County Public Library

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Sheridan Public Library

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St. Joseph County Public Library

[April activities at the Warsaw Community Public Library](#)
Warsaw Community Public Library

[Washington library awarded grant for summer reading program](#)
Washington Carnegie Public Library

definitions. A summary of the rest of the substantive changes and additional certification information can be found [here](#).

Please send any questions to the new certification department email address [here](#).

2023 EBSCO Solar grant submissions now open



EBSCO Information Services has announced that submissions are now being accepted for the 2023 EBSCO Solar grant program. This year, EBSCO is providing \$300,000 in grants to libraries looking to fund a solar project to offset electricity costs.

All academic, school and public libraries that are current EBSCO customers are eligible to apply for the EBSCO Solar grant program. EBSCO will provide the winning institutions with a check for the full amount of the grant. A grant agreement form will be agreed upon between the winning library and EBSCO and a timetable for the project will be shared.

A number of criteria will be used to assess the viability of each submission. For instance, a site with a large roof surface and a roof that is new enough to last 20 years would make an excellent candidate. A library that has already started to investigate solar as an option or one that could support a solar array large enough to offset its electricity costs would be viewed favorably. An institution



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The poetry of government documents



World Poetry Day was celebrated on March 21. While the day was marked with celebrations across the country, the federal government was not the host. It may surprise the reader to learn that aside from 11 federal holidays, the government has no part in the designation of national days, which are entrepreneurial endeavors.

For example, the Institute of Museum and Library Studies, which is federally funded, helps finance the [National Student Poets Program](#) - a program of the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards - but it does not directly sponsor World Poetry Day. The Librarian of Congress appoints the nation's poet laureate and provides an office for the poet, but it

[Westfield Library Foundation secures first \\$100k in funding for new library](#)

Westfield Washington Public Library

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with an existing sustainability program, a plan to involve its patrons or students in the project or high community involvement would also receive consideration.

EBSCO has worked with a number of solar companies and engineering groups during their own solar upgrades. EBSCO will leverage their expertise in solar installation and procurement procedures to assess which libraries have the best plans and which can support a solar array that will make the most impact on their environmental footprint and their utility costs.

Applications will be accepted until April 21, and winners will be announced in June 2023. Click [here](#) for more information and click [here](#) to apply.

Indianapolis Public Library seeks community input for Pike Branch renovation project



Residents of the Northwest side of Indianapolis are invited to offer suggestions for the renovation of the Pike Branch of the Indianapolis Public Library via interactive meeting, offered both in-person and remotely, taking place on May 23 from 7-8 p.m.

In addition to the meeting, a survey allowing patrons to share how they typically use library services and what they would like to see in the renovated library is currently available both [online](#) and

is private funding that pays the poet's stipend. Six poets have been tapped by presidents to read works at their inaugurations, and five of the poets wrote poems specifically for the event, though Robert Frost recited "The Gift Outright" from memory at John F. Kennedy's inauguration, as the glare from the snow prevented him from reading the poem he had written, "Dedication." The poems of these poets, however, do not become government documents. Also, representatives and senators regularly reference National and World Poetry Day from their respective floors. This is evidenced in the Congressional Record.

Still, perhaps this porous border between poet and state is a good thing. The poet's perspective might not encourage government workers in their daily production of thousands upon thousands of pages of information. Consider Alfred Lord Tennyson's remarks on the matter in his poem "Vastness:"

"Raving politics, never at rest - as this poor earth's pale history runs,--
What is all but a trouble of ants in the gleam of a million million of suns?"

'A Week in the Life of an Academic Video Game Collection' webinar scheduled for next week



On Wednesday, April 5, from 10-11 a.m., the Indiana State Library will

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Text and Learn for Kindergarten program information



at the Pike Branch. Patron responses to the surveys will be accepted until the end of March.

The meeting will be led by architects and designers from Luminaut and Four Point Design, as well as representatives from the library. Patrons who attend can offer ideas for the renovation’s design and share local community needs.

The project budget of \$2,275,000 will be funded by bonds approved by the Indianapolis City-County Council that are assessed without an increase in IndyPL’s current debt service tax rate.

Click [here](#) to read more about opportunities to share input and to register for the online meeting. No registration is necessary for the in-person meeting.

present "What the Research Says - A Week in the Life of an Academic Video Game Collection."

The hourlong webinar will give an overview of the maintenance and management of the University of North Texas Media Library’s video game collection and gaming spaces. Presenters Diane Robson, games and education librarian, and Emily Pojman, media circulation manager, both of the University of North Texas, will discuss collection maintenance and space management topics such as circulation, reservations, problem troubleshooting, ticketing and handling disruptive students.

Click [here](#) for additional details about the webinar. Click [here](#) to register. This event is being co-sponsored the [American Library Association's Games and Gaming Round Table](#).

The webinar is eligible for one LEU for Indiana library staff.

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