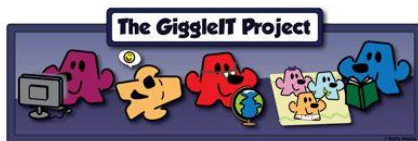




Resources

IASL provides to connect school librarians from around the world, including its website, listserv, Facebook and Twitter pages, Member Forum, Annual Conference, and other networking opportunities.

Resources also include the GiggleIT Project, a program for global student writing through school libraries. More information can be found at <http://iasl-online.org/advocacy/GiggleIT>.



This free international writing project helps teacher-librarians promote their students' creativity, humor, and personal knowledge as they publish for a worldwide audience.

To receive all of these resources and more,
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The International Association of School Librarianship

Founded in 1971, the International Association of School Librarianship is a global network of people who are interested in developing and advocating for school library media programs and services.

Its members include librarians, school library media specialists, educators, publishers, institutions, associations, and laypeople.

IASL inspires, connects, and contributes to school libraries and librarianship through its conferences, publications, resources, advocacy, and awards programs.

Conferences

IASL holds its Annual Conference and Research Forum jointly with school library associations around the world, in locations including Qatar, Indonesia, Jamaica, Russia, the Netherlands, and Japan. Regional conferences have also convened in Italy, Zimbabwe, the United States of America, and Jamaica in recent years.

For more information on upcoming annual and regional conferences, visit <http://iasl-online.org/meetings/info.html>.

IASL Special Interest Groups – SIGs

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) give IASL members global opportunities to exchange ideas and be informed about noteworthy developments in school librarianship within a specific topic. IASL SIGs currently include:

- Advocacy
- Children's and Young Adult Literature
- International Development
- Information Literacy
- Information and Communication Technologies
- International Focus
- School Library Education
- School Library Research

For details on each SIG, visit <http://iasl-online.org/about/leadership/sigs.html>.

Publications

School Libraries Worldwide: A research and professional journal published twice each year. Each issue is based on a theme of interest to people involved in school librarianship around the world.

IASL Newsletter: A newsletter published three times each year containing articles, news, announcements, information about new publications, and information for IASL members.

Various conference proceedings are also available. Visit <http://iasl-online.org/meetings/info.html> for more details.



Awards

IASL presents annual awards which recognize excellence in school library practice, promote research in school librarianship, provide funding for library books in regions where school libraries are being developed, support rising leaders through travel grants for IASL conferences, and encourage technology use. IASL awards are open to members and nonmembers alike.

For details and deadlines, visit <http://iasl-online.org/awards/index.html>.

Advocacy



International School Library Month (ISLM) is held annually in October to celebrate the importance of school libraries.

ISLM connects schools from around the world

through the Bookmark Exchange project, Skype sessions, and Facebook Friends in School Libraries Around the World project.

The School Libraries Make a Difference campaign contains links to research reports and other documents showing that school libraries have a positive impact on student achievement and learning.

For more information on IASL advocacy, visit <http://iasl-online.org/advocacy>.