

# School Library Paige



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## Back to School

August brings new faces and the start of a new school year! Who knows what adventures and frustrations await each day? If you're interested in being connected to WYO librarians, here are some FB groups to sign up for: "Wyoming School Libraries Group (SLIG) and Info Power" and "Wyoming YS Librarians Interest Group."

To stay connected on a broader level, try these groups: "Future Ready Librarians," "School Librarian's Workshop," and "Elementary Librarian Exchange." Find these & more on FB then share w/ colleagues!

Also, don't forget to check out Twitter!

## Looking for an author to visit your school?

Wyoming author **Nanci Turner Steveson** is offering discounted rates for school visits in Wyoming. Her book *Swing Sideways* is a **2017-18 WY Indian Paintbrush Award nominee**. This is a fantastic way to build interest in WY book awards and literacy! Find out more at her website:

<http://www.nanciturnersteveson.com/>

## Coming Soon

### WEBINAR

**EBSCO's MasterFile Premier** with Chris Van Burgh.

Find out about GoWYLD.net resources you can use for research on Aug. 18 @ 11:15 am. To

join: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6048085094719384833> or find it in the archive on WSL website.

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Feel free to share this with other Wyoming school library staff members. If they are not on the Wyoming Library Association School Library mailing list, encourage them to sign up for emails. I would be happy to add their name to the list and visit with you about your school library program and how the State Library can support or assist you. See my contact information above.

## Wyoming Innovations in Learning Conference 2017

This K-20 conference is hosted by the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE), UW, community colleges, and K-12 libraries. Innovations will provide opportunities for educators to explore teaching and learning practices they can apply to classrooms and distance learning environments from kindergarten through higher education. The event takes place Nov. 2-3 @ the UW campus in Laramie.

<http://bit.ly/2vEBrl>

## Digital Alternative

Need specialty paper for that collaborative project with the 4th grade teacher? Graph paper for the project with math teachers? Beadwork layout paper for your makerspace? Check out "Printable Paper" for downloadable and printable versions of a super array of specialty papers. FREE.

[www.printablepaper.net](http://www.printablepaper.net)

## School Library Hotline

**an infrequent poll of school library practices & procedures**

Q1: What is one way you would like to make the school library visible in your building or district this year?

Q2: What is one social media tool that you like to use or would like to use to stay connected to other educators? Click on the link below to fill out the Google Form.

<https://goo.gl/forms/MrbFVREnHTPVfIPH3>



# Information Power Pre-

# Conference 2017

## Highlights

#wyla17

and WLA!

### EdCamp

Info Power started out with an EdCamp devoted to Tech: Makerspaces and Coding, and Leading Outside the Library, Advocacy, and Connecting with Public Libraries.

### Big Thank You!!!

To Ladonna Leibrich, librarian at Sheridan High School, for hosting the bbq at her house Wednesday night for Info Power attendees. The meal was delicious and the evening a delight!

### OER

Angie Spann related work she is doing with the WDE on developing Open Education Resources (OER) for use by Wyoming educators.

### GoWYLD.net

Chris Van Burgh from Wyoming State Library shared ebook resources available on GoWYLD.net. These are free resources to all WY schools!

### Steven Yates, AASL president

gave the AASL update and spoke about resources offered by the association & issues facing K12 libraries. Look for new learning standards & program guidelines to be launched this fall. Valuable tools and grants info are also available on the AASL website, [www.aasl.org](http://www.aasl.org).

### Junior Library Guild's

Deborah Ford presented on STEAM and did fabulous book talks. Find educator resources in her LiveBinder: [bit.ly/101mostlyfree](http://bit.ly/101mostlyfree).

### Wyoming Dept. of Education

Laurel Ballard spoke about Future Ready Schools and the role that school librarians can play in that initiative. She outlined the Digital Learning Plan that is built on the Future Ready Framework, WY classroom connectivity initiative and E-rate. She also said that Wyoming School Librarians were the biggest voice of any group on the writing of the ESSA implementation plan. That plan, which includes school libraries, was signed August 17. Great job, Everyone!  
For more: <https://edu.wyoming.gov/>

### What the Tech? at WLA

Many apps, programs, and wearable technology were presented at the What the Tech? session. These covered the spectrum of public libraries, K12 libraries, and personal use. This session was a lot of fun!

Access the slideshow & list of tech  
<http://library.wyo.gov/take-a-tour-of-what-the-tech/>

### Information Power Pre-Conference 2017 was a success!

We look forward to another combined conference next year & the opportunity to connect with librarians from all types of libraries in Wyoming! Stay tuned for more info in the coming months!

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