

## When does AkASL meet?

The AkASL General Membership Meeting is held once a year, usually at the AkLA Conference.

The AkASL Executive Board generally meets once a month via audio conference. Contact your area representative if you have news to share with the eBoard, or if you have questions or issues to raise.

## JOIN US!

To become a member, print out the membership form which is on the AkASL website, and send it to the address on the form along with your membership dues.

<http://www.akla.org/akasl/assoc/memb-form.html>



# AkASL

ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF  
SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

## AkASL E-Board's Top Web Sites for Librarians

TEEN READING LIST - MID-CONTINENT PUBLIC LIBRARIES

<http://www.mcpl.lib.mo.us/readers/lists/teen>

NEVERENDING SEARCH -Joyce Valenza

<http://www.joycevalenza.com>

BOOKS IN A SERIES LIST

<http://www.monroe.lib.in.us/childrens/booklists/serieslist.html>

BASIC TUTORIAL ON SEARCHING THE WEB

<http://www.sc.edu/beaufort/library/pages/bones/bones.shtml>

SERIES AND SEQUELS

<http://www.bettendorflibrary.com/bpl-bin/series.pl>

BASED ON THE BOOK

<http://www.mcpl.lib.mo.us/readers/movies>

GAIL JUNION-METZ WEB SITE

<http://www.iage.com/bookmark.html>

ATN READING LISTS - for lots of booklists and now it is a wiki.

<http://atn-reading-lists.wikispaces.com>

KIDSREADS - Great for series info and book synopsis for elementary,

<http://www.kidsreads.com>

INTERNET PUBLIC LIBRARY -endless good info.

<http://www.ipl.org>

RESOURCES FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

<http://www.sldirectory.com/index.html>

LATEST YA LITERATURE, Teri Lesesne's blog:

<http://professornana.livejournal.com>

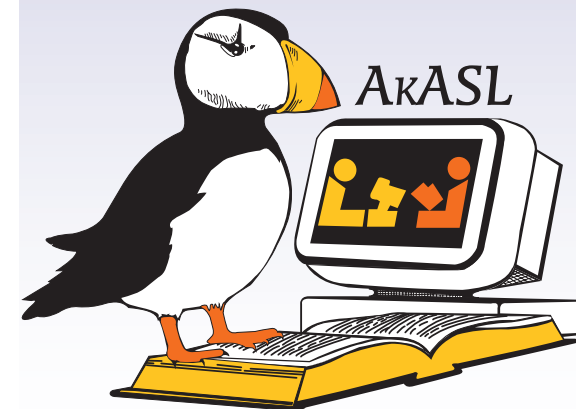
BOOK TALK RESOURCE - <http://nancykeane.com/booktalks>

MLA STYLE CITATIONS....easy to read and understand. <http://www.northstar.k12.ak.us/schools/hut/library/mlaboxes.htm>

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# STAYING CONNECTED

## THE KEY TO SUCCESS for Alaska's School Libraries



ALASKA ASSOCIATION OF  
SCHOOL LIBRARIANS (AkASL)  
<http://www.akla.org/akasl>

## What and Who is AkASL?

**WHAT:** "The mission of the Alaska Association of School Librarians (AkASL) shall be to advance a high standard for the school librarian profession and the library information program in the schools of Alaska."

AkASL is an independent organization with ties to the Alaska Library Association (AkLA) and the American Association of School Librarians (AASL).

**WHO:** Membership in AkASL is available to school librarians, active and retired, and to those who are interested in promoting school libraries in the State of Alaska.

From the membership, as per the constitution, there are elected and appointed officers and committee chairpersons who serve on the governing body, called the Executive Board, also known as the eBoard.

*"Information is the currency of the new economy. It is the key to success in education, learning job skills, and adapting skills to new challenges of the market . . ."*

Youssef A. Nasr,  
President & Chief Executive Officer,  
HSBC Bank USA

## Alaska Information - How Can AkASL Help?

\* THE KEITH CURRY LANCE  
ALASKA STUDY OF 1999

Information Empowered; The School Librarian as an Agent of Academic Achievement in Alaska Schools

<http://library.state.ak.us/dev/infoemp.html>

Brochure: <http://www.lrs.org/documents/lmcstudies/AK/akbrochure.pdf>

### STATE Organizations & Resources

\* ALASKA STATE LIBRARY  
<http://library.state.ak.us>

\* Alaska Statewide Databases  
<http://www.sled.alaska.edu/databases/home.html>


\* SLED (ALASKA'S STATE LIBRARY ELECTRONIC DOORWAY) <http://www.sled.alaska.edu>

\* ALASKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION (AKLA)  
<http://www.akla.org>

\* ALASKA SOCIETY FOR TECHNOLOGY IN EDUCATION (ASTE) <http://www.aste.org>

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Instruction**

## What does AkASL offer?

 School Library Community  
Information & Programs

• The AkASL Web Site  
<http://www.akla.org/akasl>  
where you will find links to  
the following:

- The Puffin Newsletter
- The AkASL Wiki

### PROGRAMS:

- AkASL Battle of the Books
  - AkASL Book Bonanza
- School Librarian Leadership Academy
- School Library Boot Camp

### GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS:

- Conference Travel Grants
- B. Jo Morse School Library Media Specialist/School Librarian Scholarship
- General Graduate Library Studies Scholarship (AkLA)

**Powerful Libraries  
Make Powerful Learners**