

Today's Skills for Tomorrow's Services *Free Virtual Conference*

October 17 & 18 (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)

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Thursday, October 17, 2024 – Friday October 18, 2024

The world is changing before our very eyes. Artificial intelligence, a reevaluation of traditional services we offer in our school libraries and changing demographics in our student populations are just a few examples of the changes taking place. To meet these changes, school librarians must develop the knowledge and skills today to meet those changes we face tomorrow. Please join us for this virtual conference where we will learn today's skills for tomorrow's services.

Registration: <https://bit.ly/NDSLVirtualConference>

Credit is available through Valley City State University. Register at <https://www.vcsu.edu/academics/extended-learning/course-availability-and-registration/>.

Use class code 37599, select "Fall 2024" and Credit "1" to find the registration form.

Class requirements: Attend both days of conference and review eight of the Online Library Resources tutorials in Niche Academy 2024 Online Library Resources Review, which will be posted by the first day of the conference. Write a reflective paper on what you learned during this conference.

[Learn More and Register](#)

Digital Citizenship Week October 14-18, 2024

Submitted by Kathy Cline

Digital Citizenship Week, an annual campaign "...to promote a healthy, balanced, and positive approach to media and tech use among young people" (Common Sense, 2024), occurs in the third week in October.



Learning.com defines digital citizenship as "... the ability to use technology responsibly, safely and respectfully. It refers to the ability to protect private information online, mitigate risks associated with cyberthreats or online threats and utilizing information and media in a respectful, knowledgeable and legal way." Learning.com states it's important to teach digital literacy skills as they prepare young people for professional online environments and enhance and promote...

- ethical and legal online practices
- digital literacy and critical thinking
- online safety and privacy
- respectful and responsible online communities
- civic participation
- global understanding and collaboration

Digital Citizenship Week resources:

- [Digital Citizenship Week: Free lessons and activities for K-12 - Nearpod Blog](#)
- [Common Sense Education](#)
- [Facilitating Respectful Digital Citizenship in the Classroom | Edutopia](#)
- [3 Reasons AI Should Be Part of Your Digital Citizenship Lessons - BrainPOP](#)

References

Common Sense Media. (n.d.). *Homepage*. Common Sense Education. <https://www.commonsense.org/education>

Lcom Team. (2024, February 13). The Importance of Digital Citizenship: A 2024 Perspective. *Learning.com*. October 7, 2024, <https://shorturl.at/Jb5xz>

Library Vision Strategic Plan

Submitted by State Librarian Mary Soucie

The Library Vision Strategic Plan (LVSP) guides the awarding of Library Vision grants. The grants are awarded by the North Dakota Library Coordinating Council and the State Library. The first LVSP was created by a working group that was formed in 1995. The original two versions of the document were adopted for eight years. Beginning in 2014, the time frames for the document began to be shortened. The last plan update was adopted in 2020.

The State Library is pleased to present the newly revised Library Vision Strategic Plan to the library community. We are seeking feedback on the new format of the document. The survey on the revised plan will be open until October 18, 2024. The goals for the Library Vision program have been updated and the objectives have been removed. We felt that would make it easier for libraries to submit grant applications. Once the document has been finalized, the grant application for the Library Vision program will be updated. Grant rounds will now be based on a specific LV goal rather than themed grants as we have offered in the past. Libraries will need to clearly articulate how their grant project aligns with whichever goal is being utilized for that grant round. Applications will be updated to reflect this change.

We invite you take a few minutes to review the draft of the LVSP and to provide feedback to NDSL and the NDLC on the new goals and the new format.

[Take the Survey](#)

Digital Delight

Halloween party at Ardoch Township country school, Walsh County, N.D., 1951

Seven children (Patty Kiski, JoAnn Osowski, JoAnn Wysokoski, Maxine Wysokoski, John Riski, Theresa Lizakowski Briske, George Lizakowski) are pictured wearing Halloween costumes standing along the side of a building with a curtained window in the side.



Courtesy of Digital Horizons (North Dakota Memories Collection, ND State Library)

[Digital Horizons](#)



Picture Books about Food

One of my favorite things about the **ber** months (September, October, November, December) is the focus on food! There are various titles about this topic -- from diets around the world to how different cuisines are made to cultural significance concerning food. This *Top Picks* highlights picture books about food.

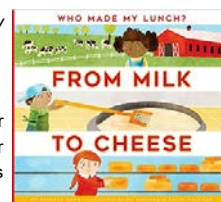
1. *From Milk to Cheese* by Bridget Heos (*Who Made My Lunch?* series)

Publish Date: 2018

Publisher: Amicus

Summary: This nonfictionally tale shows how cheddar cheese is created from cows all the way to it being ready for purchase (and yummy consumption) at stores. A little humor is sprinkled in along the way!

Best For: PreK through Second Grade



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Outreach Grants

DiscoverE

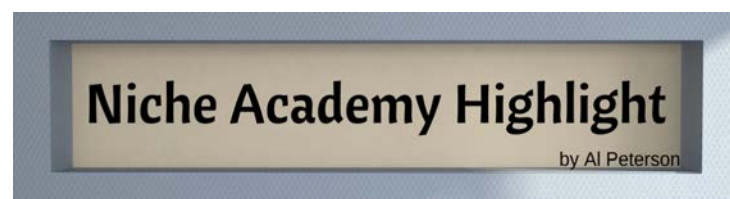
DiscoverE is excited to make available a limited number of grants ranging between \$250 and \$1000 for Engineers Week and Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day programs taking place on and around Engineers Week and Girl Day.

- **Engineers Week Outreach Grants** support activities and events that focus on underserved K-12 students and feature hands-on engineering experiences.
- **Girl Day Grants** support events to showcase the fascinating world of engineering to K-12 girls and all students of marginalized gender.

DiscoverE's grant opportunities are designed to support volunteer and educator efforts to inspire the next generation of innovators through hands-on exploration of engineering.

Application Deadline: Monday, November 4, at 10:59 PM. Applicants will be notified of a decision by early December.

[Learn More and Apply](#)



What's New in Niche Academy

These new resources have been created by Niche Academy staff and have been uploaded into the Niche Academy from the Marketplace.

Category Library – [Academic Libraries](#)

New Tutorial: [Institutional Repository Basics for Academic Libraries](#)

New Tutorial: [Designing Virtual Learning for Application and Impact](#)

Category Library – [Adult Programming](#)

New Tutorial: [Civic Literacy in Public Libraries](#)

This tutorial discusses the importance of increasing critical thinking skills and combating mis/disinformation. This tutorial will define what is civic literacy and how can public libraries develop engaging programming around this topic.

Category Library – [Information Literacy](#)

New Tutorial: [Perfect is the Enemy of Good](#)

This new tutorial challenges the viewer to rise above negativity.

Category Library – [Library Directors](#)

New Tutorial: [Talk to the Elephant: Designing Learning for Behavior Change](#)

This one examines the top reasons why learning fails to change behavior and what you can do instead.

[Niche Academy](#)



Divide County Library received a \$5,000 grant from CHS Seeds for Stewardship & New Century Ag for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program.

Apply to Receive a FREE Magnetometer and Contribute to Space Weather Science

StarNet

October 23 (2:00 PM – 2:30 PM)

Join us to learn how your library can participate in the EZIE Mission, a collaboration between Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab (JHU APL) and NASA. Through the EZIE-Mag initiative, you can apply to receive a FREE magnetometer to study space weather and aurora science!

The EZIE Mission is unique because it's the first NASA mission where you and your community can directly engage with space weather and aurora research. They are offering 700 free magnetometers to libraries, classrooms, afterschool programs, and other educational groups across the country. Join this free STAR Net webinar to learn how to apply!

[Register](#)

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