

May 31, 2024 MTSU

| <u>Presenter</u> | <u>Topic</u> | <u>Time CST</u> | <u>Grade Band</u> | <u>Location</u> |
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| | <u>Welcome, sign in, ect.</u> | 8:30-9:00 | | |
| Lois M Walker | <u>Fun(D) Ways to Build Community:</u> In this session, we will discuss ideas for building community AND fundraising at the same time. I'll discuss my PJ Party and BID WARS ideas and hope that you'll bring your ideas, too! | 9:00-9:45 | M,H | |
| Blake Hopper | <u>Book Joy:</u> Come learn ways to spread book joy at your school. | 9:00-9:45 | E,M, H | |
| Scot Smith | <u>Graphic Memoir for Tweens and Teens:</u> Graphic memoirs are currently popular within Middle Gade and Young Adult publishing. This presentation will explore the importance of memoir as a literary genre for tweens and teens and will highlight some of the best graphic memoirs published in 2022, 2023, and the spring of 2024. During this session, the presenter will discuss how best to evaluate, classify, and promote graphic memoirs in school and public libraries. | 9:50-10:35 | M, H | |
| Felicia Warden | <u>Not Invisible: A School Librarian's Guide to Ensuring their Work is Seen:</u> This session will offer tips and ideas for ensuring those within your school community see the work you do inside and outside of your school library. | 9:50-10:35 | E, M, H | |
| Scot Smith | <u>Disability Is Diversity: Books for Children and Teens about the Disability Experience:</u> Join Scot Smith, who served for four terms on the jury for ALA's Schneider Family Book Award, as he discusses the best recently published titles about the disability experience. Topics for this presentation include the importance of authentic voices and appropriate terminology and the selection and promotion of literature about children and teens with disabilities. | 10:40-11:25 | E, M, H | |
| Julie Howard | <u>The Power of AI in Your Classroom: Hands-on with Large Language Models:</u> Did you know AI can write engaging lesson plans, create personalized quizzes, and craft dialogues? In this interactive session, I'll guide new users into the world of Large Language Models (LLMs) ChatGPT and Gemini. We'll delve into prompt engineering and personas, ethics, and the potential of LLMs in your curriculum. Through hands-on exploration, you'll learn how to leverage these AI tools to create dynamic learning | 10:40-11:25 | E, M, H | |

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| | experiences, personalize learning, and boost engagement in your classroom. | | | |
| Lunch | Lunch | 11:30-12:30 | All | |
| Kaitlyn Benavides | <u>Crucial Conversations - Responding to Stakeholders</u> : Based on the work of Stephen Covey, this Crucial Conversations session focuses on how to navigate difficult conversations when emotions are high, stakes are high, and opinions may differ. The strategies presented will be tailored to librarians to provide a system of support to better prepare for conversations with all stakeholders regarding their library collections and unique roles within their school. | 12:30-1:15 | E, M, H | |
| Elizabeth Shepherd | <u>Things in my Elementary Library that Just Make Sense</u> : Looking for some fresh, innovative ideas to use in your elementary library? Ideas that have been tested, modified, and refined so you know they work in a real school with real students? Then this session is for you! Come ready to fill your librarian bucket with tips, tricks, and lesson ideas you can implement right away at the elementary level. | 12:30-1:15 | E | |
| Katie Capshaw | <u>Meyhem in the Middle...and High</u> Balancing flexible schedules, collaborating with teachers, creating a welcoming space, and dealing with technology can be quite an overwhelming task...sometimes it feels like chaos.. I'll share some things that have and haven't worked in my experience as a secondary librarian. | 1:20-2:05 | M, H | |
| Laura McGill | <u>Chart Your Course: a Blueprint for Teaching the VSBA</u> Chart your course this coming school year with the Volunteer State Book Award. This session will offer a flexible blueprint for ideas on how to teach the VSBA Nominees for the 2024-2025 school year. This session will cover Primary and Intermediate nominees only. Librarians will explore fun activities centered around the books and authors and leave with a plan for embedding the VSBA throughout the | 1:20-2:05 | E | |
| | Middle and High Round Table | 2:10-2:45 | M, H | |
| | Elementary Round Table | 2:10-2:45 | E | |
| | Closing and Certificates | 2:45-3:00 | All | |