

The Weekly Update

from SD State Library School Library Services

Trending Titles

As we start to get into the school year and things begin to settle down, one of the first things we want to do is starting ordering those books that our students just can't wait to get their hands on!

Here are some resources for you as you start your 2021-2022 collection development:

[Notable Children's Books 2021 from the Association of Library Services for Children](#)

Each year a committee of the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC) identifies the best of the best in children's books. According to the Notables Criteria, "notable" is defined as: Worthy of note or notice, important, distinguished, outstanding. According to ALSC policy, the current year's Newbery, Caldecott, Belpré, Sibert, Geisel, and Batchelder Award and Honor books automatically are added to the Notable Children's Books list. According to the ALSC Notable Children's Books Committee manual, these categories loosely represent the following: **Younger Readers** – Preschool-grade 2 (age 7), including easy-to-read books; **Middle Readers** – Grades 3-5, ages 8-10; **Older Readers** – Grades 6-8, ages 11-14; **All Ages** – Has appeal and interest for children in all of the above age ranges

[14 Series To Catch Up On Before The Next Book Comes Out](#)

Goodreads shares some of the most anticipated releases in **YA**, historical fiction, romance, and science fiction/fantasy series.

[The Books Every Child Should Read In 2021 from Scholastic](#)

Whether your child is exploring **picture books**, **graphic novels**, or **chapter books** right now, there are a few choice titles they need as they start the new year. These books are the best of 2020, and cover important themes for all ages through rich narratives and unforgettable characters.

[Native American Authors, Books, and Resources from SDSL](#)

We've put together a great document of books and resources for **children, middle/young adult, and adult readers**.

[SEL Books and Resources from SDSL](#)

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) is at the forefront of many educators' minds as they seek to curate curricular classroom and library collections. Educators can intentionally purchase reading materials that offer support for students and allow for focused conversations facilitated by adults. We've put together another great document full of books and resources for **all ages**.

[Lists from The Booklist Reader](#)

So many great lists to peruse!

[Spring 2022 Children's Sneak Previews](#)

Notable up and coming books listed in Publishers Weekly by publisher.

Happy shopping!

VIEW THE SDSL COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT LIST

Upcoming Learning Opportunities



STATE CONFERENCE

[South Dakota Library
Association's annual
conference](#)

September 29-30, 2021
Virtual



NATIONAL CONFERENCE

[American Library
Association Conference](#)

October 21-23, 2021
Salt Lake City



STATE CONFERENCE

[South Dakota Festival of
Books](#)

October 1-3, 2021
Deadwood

FREE BOOKS!

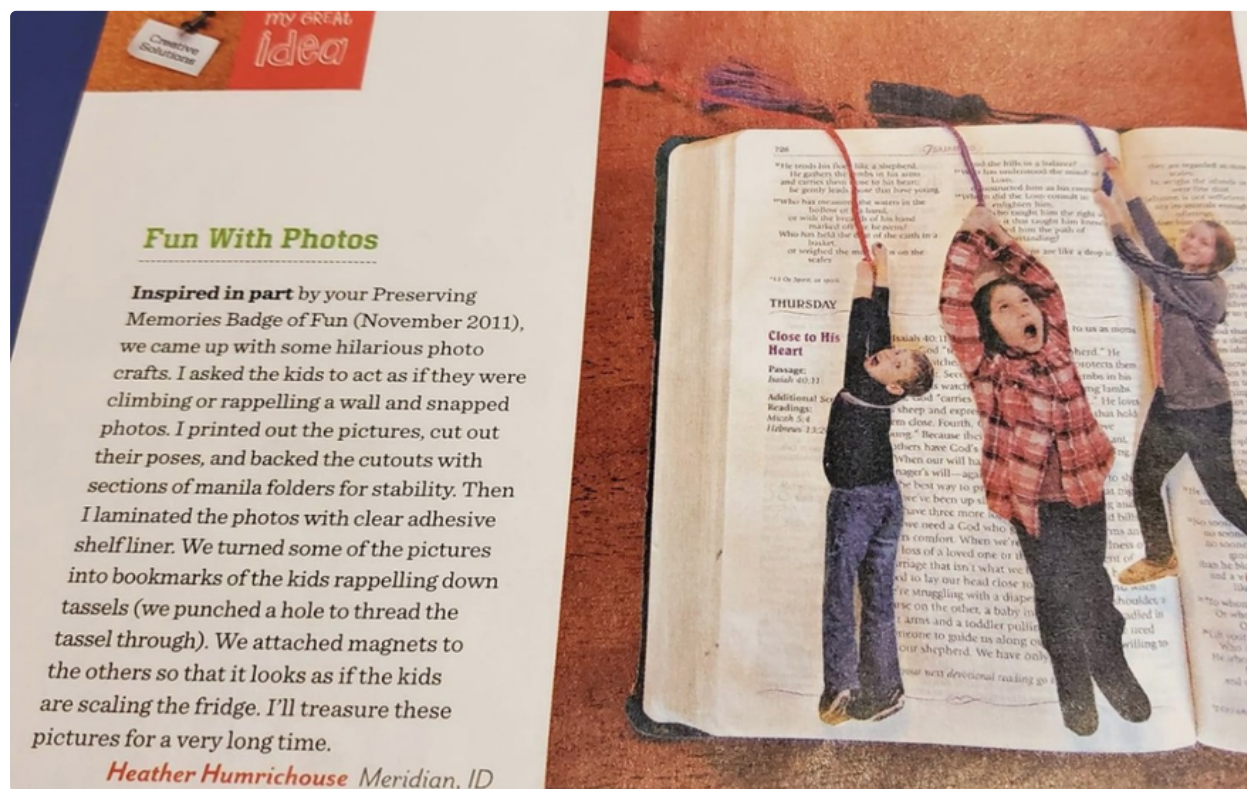
Yes, I'm giving away free books for your library! Everyone who takes a couple minutes to fill out the Help Me Help You School Library Survey will be entered in the drawing to win, and I may even draw for a few winners!

The survey is a way for you to let me know how I can support you in your library journey this year. I have already received some amazing responses, and you still have time to reply. The survey will be open until the end of this Friday 9/3.

TAKE THE SURVEY!

1 Fun Project

This could be a fun back-to-school project! Or maybe even more fun would be doing this with your staff and then using those as bookmarks for your students!



2 (+) Mindful Minutes

Feel more settled and calm by spending a few minutes focused on your breathing. A 5-minute Mindful Breathing mindfulness meditation created by Stop, Breathe & Think.

Mindful Breathing Meditation (5 Minutes)



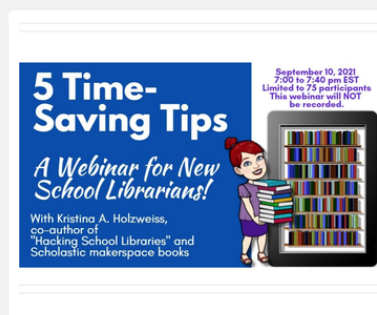
3 Awesome Ideas

Looking for ways to spruce up your library services this year? Check out these ideas!



Reproducible

Allowing students to hold books in Destiny? [Here's a handy 1-page instruction guide.](#)



Webinar

New to the school library? [This could be a great opportunity to learn!](#)



Monthly Theme

Having trouble coming up with bulletin board ideas? Consider a monthly theme!



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