

# The Weekly Update

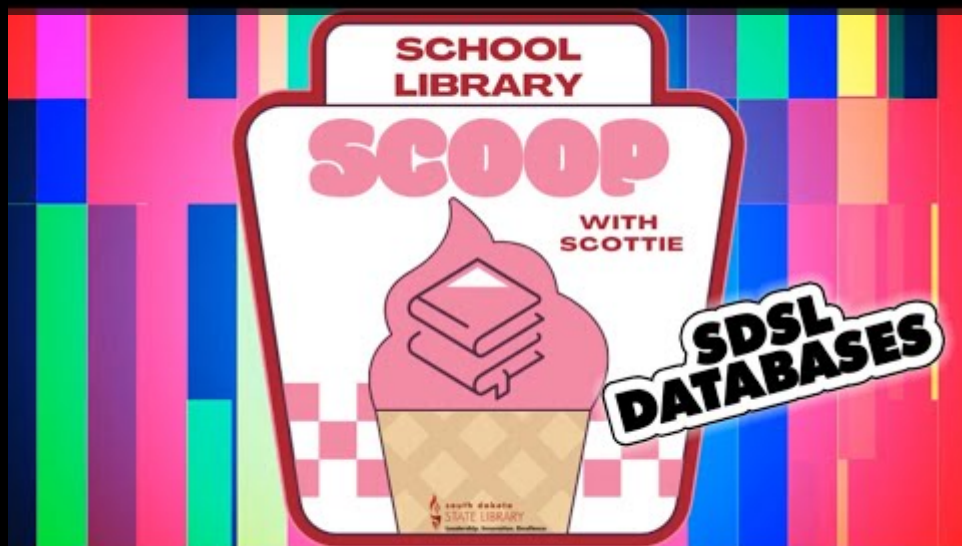
from SD State Library School Library Services

## The School Library Scoop with Scottie

**Episode 2 of the School Library Scoop with Scottie is all about the SDSL Databases.**

This is a new platform for short tutorials on school library services, technology tips and trends, and so much more. If you have suggestions or requests for future topics, please email me at [scottie.bruch@state.sd.us](mailto:scottie.bruch@state.sd.us).

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## LearningExpress Library Webinar 9/21 at 3pm CT

In this 20-minute session you will learn about LearningExpress Library, a resource available to all South Dakota libraries. The session will be recorded and shared to this listserv once available.

### SDLA Conference

The [2021 SDLA Conference](#) is coming up next week, September 29-30. This year's conference will once again be hosted virtually on ZOOM, and there are [so many wonderful sessions](#) to attend! Check out these sessions hosted by SDSL staff:

#### **Meet SDSL's New Library Technology Coordinator**

*Thursday 9/30, Breakout Session 1, 10-10:50 MT/11-11:50 CT*

Cheyenne Chontos, SDSL Library Technology Coordinator

#### **Summer Food Service Program: How Libraries can help their Communities by Operating this Program**

*Thursday 9/30, Breakout Session 2, 11-11:50 MT/12-12:50 CT*

Laura Kelly, SDSL Children and Youth Services Coordinator, and Brigitta Bly

#### **Easing into Coding with Girls Who Code Club**

*Thursday 9/30, Breakout Session 2, 11-11:50 MT/12-12:50 CT*

Laura Kelly, SDSL Children and Youth Services Coordinator, Kathleen Slocum, Continuing Education Coordinator, and Valerie Tomici

#### **Poster Session: Staying Connected and Relevant in a Digital World**

*Thursday 9/30, Poster Session, 12-12:50 MT/1-1:50 CT*

Scottie Bruch, SDSL School Library Technology Coordinator

#### **SDSL Databases Round Table Discussion**

*Thursday 9/30, Breakout Session 4, 2-2:50 MT/3-3:50 CT*

Kim Bonen, SDSL Digital Resources Coordinator

## 2021 SDLA CONFERENCE

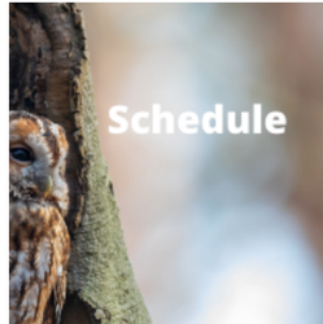
HOW TO MAKE YOURSELF FUTURE-READY  
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**Virtual Conference**

**September 29th & September 30, 2021**

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### NEW SD School Library Facebook Group!

The SD State Library's Collect + Connect Facebook Group is for SD School Librarians! Join to share your ideas and photos, ask your questions, reach out for advice, and discuss all of the awesomeness that happens in your library!

**Join our School Library Facebook Group!**

### A Tool for Accessibility

I recently discovered an awesome little extension for Google Chrome called Mote. It lets you easily add voice comments and audio content to documents, assignments, emails, slides, and forms. My brain immediately went into overdrive thinking of all the possibilities of this little tool!

Below is an example of a quick slide I put together using the Mote tool. For the Spanish audio, I typed up my transcript, popped it into Google Translate (which has many language options), and then let Mote record it.

It would be so fun (and beneficial to your students!) to use this tool for: Virtual Book Talks, Library Maps, Library Resource Listings, Orientations and Other Lessons, Virtual Displays, and so much more!





## Next Week is Banned Books Week!

"Banned Books Week (September 26-October 2, 2021) is an annual event celebrating the freedom to read. Typically held during the last week of September, it spotlights current and historical attempts to censor books in libraries and schools. It brings together the entire book community — librarians, booksellers, publishers, journalists, teachers, and readers of all types — in shared support of the freedom to seek and to express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.

This year's theme is 'Books Unite Us. Censorship Divides Us.' Sharing stories important to us means sharing a part of ourselves. Books reach across boundaries and build connections between readers. Censorship, on the other hand, creates barriers.

The books featured during Banned Books Week have all been targeted for removal or restriction in libraries and schools. By focusing on efforts across the country to remove or restrict access to books, Banned Books Week draws national attention to the harms of censorship."

-- <https://www.ala.org/advocacy/bbooks/banned>



## 1 Banned Books Week Video

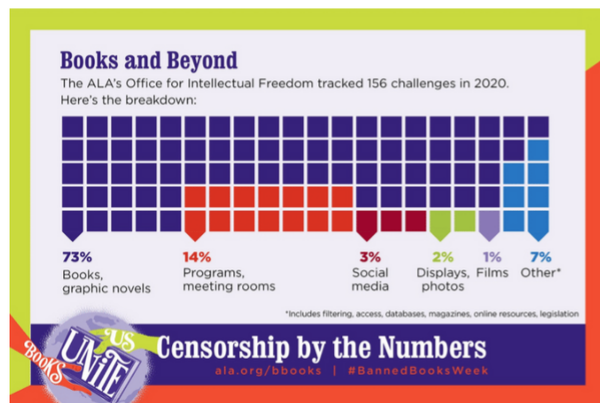
### Top 10 Most Challenged Books of 2020



## 2+ Helpful Banned Books Week Infographics

Visit the [Free Downloads](#) page of the ALA Banned Books Week site for more resources.





## 3+ Banned Books Week Display Ideas

Check out the [ALA Pinterest board](#) for even more ideas.



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The Weekly Update is a correspondence from the South Dakota State Library focusing on current topics in school libraries, best practices, resources, professional development, and more.

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