

# The School Library Monthly Update



## APPLY FOR THE SATL AWARD!

The application process for the new SATL Award is back open! The SATL Award replaces the 21st Century School Library Award and is designed to recognize outstanding school library programs and school library professionals. All school librarians are encouraged to apply!

**See more on page 2.**

## REMINDER

\* The 2024-25 [School Library Survey](#) is open! Complete this year's survey by May 2, and [register for 1 of 2 courses that correspond with the survey](#) to earn credit, learn more about the 3 Pillars of Effective School Libraries.

## TO-DO

- ✓ [Share a story!](#) Scottie is seeking heartwarming school library stories for upcoming episodes of [The School Library Pulse](#) mini-cast.
- ✓ Check out all of [SDSL's resources, services, and tutorials](#) that are specifically made for school librarians!

## UPCOMING CHATS

[School Library Collect + Connect](#)

Wednesday, April 2, 3:30pm CT

Topic: Potpourri

[School Library Collect + Connect](#)

Wednesday, May 7, 3:30pm CT

Topic: Setting Up For Success

Enroll [HERE](#)

\* **Interested in summer chats?**  
**Look for upcoming ExCITE! info!**



**School libraries make a powerful difference in student achievement and benefit every learner in the school community. When school libraries are highly effective, they:**

- Encourage reading for both academic and personal growth.
- Support students in developing research skills to create and share new knowledge.
- Teach ethical participation in an interconnected world.
- Promote a culture of reading and lifelong learning.

**The SATL Award Program recognizes school libraries that demonstrate excellence in the three pillars of school librarianship:**

1. Program
2. Place
3. Professional

### **What's the Goal?**

The goal of the SATL Award Program is to recognize schools with libraries that exemplify these key areas of effective school libraries. This includes providing a modern, collaborative program for learning and teaching, creating supportive learning environments (both physical and virtual), and fostering leadership from highly qualified professionals.

### **Why Apply?**

The program is self-paced, allowing you to complete the tasks at your convenience. Those who successfully meet the program's requirements by July 1 will be recognized at the start of the school year and at an annual conference in the fall. Award status is valid for three years.

### **How to Get Started**

- Applicants must complete a task checklist available through the SATL Program in Canvas.
- Earn 15 Continuing Education Credit Hours (CECHs) upon successful completion of the course.

**[For further details, start the program today and take the first step toward earning the prestigious SATL Award!](#)**