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District Bulletin

"Prepping For Accreditation" Series

Returns for Season 3

If your library is in the next accreditation cycle, then February 2022 is the time to submit your accreditation application. And if you'd like ample time to discuss the accreditation process and learn more about what's required—well in advance of the deadline—then join our **"Prepping For Accreditation"** series.



Returning for Season 3, this series examines specific standards like strategic planning, policies, board education, and more. We'll have material prepared, but these sessions are largely designed for conversation and Q&A, in a format similar to District Office Hours.

While intended for libraries in the next accreditation cycle (February 2022) these sessions will also be valuable for all other libraries wanting to increase their Tier status and move from Tier 0-1-2-3. This series will be equally helpful for newly hired directors, certainly any library board members are welcome to attend.

The first session was in **August** with **Planning Part 1**; we'll continue **tomorrow September 28th** with **Planning Part 2**, a look at updating mission statements, goals, and objectives. Programs will then continue on the **fourth Tuesday** each month through January 2022. Actually, there are two sessions planned for January to put more time between the last session and the February 28 filing deadline.

Schedule & Topics: 10:00-11:00AM Each Time

September 28: Planning Part 2--Mission Statement, Goals, Objectives

October 26: Board-Related Standards

November 23: The ADA Checklist

December 28: Personnel Standards

January 18: Policies & Standards.

January 25: Application Submission Process.

Here's the link to the ZOOM Room we'll use each time <https://zoom.us/j/450969235>

Plan for one hour, although the length may vary from month-to-month depending on the number of attendees and the number of questions. Because these are consulting sessions, not intended as workshops, c.e. credit is not awarded. No advance registration is necessary. While there is no c.e. credit, we do intend to record each session and add the recordings to the State Library's accreditation webpage.

Again: if your library is in the next accreditation cycle—or if you plan to increase your Tier status from 0-1-2-3—then plan to participate in this returning series “*Prepping For Accreditation.*”



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