



DISTRICT NEWS

STATE LIBRARY OF IOWA



Central District - April 18, 2022

Central District Office Hours

This Thursday!

Join Maryann and other Central District directors and staff each month for open office hours. We'll meet **Thursday, April 21 from 1:00 - 2:00**. (Note the earlier time!)

These ZOOM meetings are casual conversations as we talk about whatever issues are top-of-mind. They are an ideal time to pose questions of each other and share solutions that work for you.

For **newly hired directors**, these sessions are a good networking opportunity--think of this as a virtual meet-and-greet with new colleagues!

Mark your calendar for each "Third Thursday" and join this opportunity for conversation and collaboration. Click the green box below to join this month's discussion.

Future Office Hours sessions will be from 1:30-2:30 on these dates :

- May 19
- June 16
- July 21,

[Join Maryann's Zoom Room](#)



Director Roundtables in May

You can still register to attend one of two upcoming "Director Roundtables" in Central District happening next month from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (You only need to choose one location to attend.)

- **Tuesday, May 3 @ Marshalltown PL** (This location will include the opportunity to tour the library and view ALA's traveling Holocaust display, "Americans and the Holocaust".)
- **Thursday, May 12 @ Perry PL** (This location will include the opportunity to tour the library and the Carnegie Library Museum, located by the public library.)

About Director Roundtables 2022

The theme for **Director Roundtables** this year follows our broader education theme for 2022--**Make Room For Yes**. Here's the description you'll find in **IALearns**: "*Sponsored by the State Library and facilitated by District Consultants, roundtables are designed in a 3-hour format, with the first portion being a guided discussion. This year's **Director Roundtables** are based on ideas from the book When to Say Yes by Don Khouri.*

Discussion will center around being positioned to say yes to new opportunities. Of course, being able to say YES to new things is great, but doing so often demands letting go and saying NO to old practices and old habits. Based on the book When to Say Yes, we'll talk about the importance of being "purposely productive," and balancing the need to stay current with the tendency to keep doing things the familiar way. Plus we'll have time to learn techie tools from each other. The last portion will be given over to open-ended discussion."

Director Roundtables are awarded **3 continuing education credits**; there is no expectation to have read the book ahead of time. Sites are filling up fast, so register soon in IALearns by clicking the green box below!

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