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Pre-Recorded Concurrent Sessions

Session Title	Presenter(s)	Description
The Reveal: 20/21 Virginia Readers' Choice Primary and Elementary Book Talks	Tamara Teaff and Jane Field	The purpose of the VRC program will be explained along with information about how to participate in the program. The books on the 2020/2021 selection list will be reviewed. Participants will receive an annotated bibliography of the selected books along with project ideas to support the reading of the book.
It's Not Always Quiet in the Library...and That's Okay! Maker Spaces in an Elementary Library Learning Commons	Tess Reed	This presentation will address how to grow your Maker Space program, organizing the equipment, scheduling, resource list, tracking student choices, hands-on time with the equipment & activities students K-5th use in my library to include but not be limited to: green screen with Dolnk app, LUXBLOX, snap circuits, squishy circuits, Ozobot, Keeva planks, Strawbees, gears, marble run, 3Doodler pen, LittleBits code kit, magnets, robot mouse, coding board games & Code Hopper.
Serving Gifted Learners in the Library	Lauren Garletts	Differentiation, acceleration, variation. Gifted learners have needs that often exceed what we are able to provide in a classroom setting. Providing space, programs, and support in the library is a great way to engage this group of students! Join me to learn tips, tricks, and ideas for serving gifted learners.
Handling the Truth: Resuscitating the Nonfiction Section in Your Library	Marcie Atkins	Nonfiction in children's literature has never been stronger. This session will cover key ways to curate a strong list of nonfiction books for your collection, developing mentor texts in nonfiction, and how to arrange the collection in the library that budding inquirers will find what they are looking for.

Light It Up Blue: Adapted Library Techniques	Heather Baucum	1 in every 54 children in our country has been diagnosed with autism. Each of them deserves a meaningful experience in their school library. Come learn some techniques for adapting your library for your students on the spectrum. Walk away with ready to go materials to get you started.
CS for All: Computer Science in the Elementary School Library	Heather Baucum	The state of Virginia has just released computer science standards for the state. Come find out how the library can support coding, computational thinking, and tinkering. We will discuss how computer science supports AASL standards as well as getting to tinker ourselves with Makey Makey and Scratch coding. Come find out about great picture book connections to coding, leave with ready made materials to start coding with your students, and see how you can prepare your own students to be future ready.
I am Normal: Neurodiversity in Children's Literature	Heather Baucum	Finding ourselves in books can be difficult for children who live with different neurological conditions. Come learn about the neurodiversity in our world and leave with a bibliography of K-5 books that cover topics from Autism to OCD to ADHD to BFRBs and so many more. Help your students see themselves in literature even if the rest of the world doesn't always see them.
Digital Breakouts	Heather Baucum	Breakout boxes are all the rage but they can be expensive, pieces can go missing, and locks can break. Come find out how to harness Google G Suite to create digital breakouts with Forms, Sites, and Sheets. Digital breakouts can be replayed year after year and can be created for any subject matter. From easy to advanced techniques and puzzles will be covered and explained how to build. BYOD and get started building your own digital breakout in this session.
Teaching Digital and Media Literacy	Lori Donovan	This session will focus on practical ways to teach multiple literacies to ensure students have the skills necessary to be consumers and creators of information. Moving beyond the CRAAP test, teachers will learn how to help students read laterally when it comes to consuming media, no matter its form.
Librarians as Professional Developers	Carl Harvey	In the AASL Standards, it talks about school librarians as providers or professional development for staff. But, what do school librarians know about providing professional development? What are some examples? How does it help the school library program? Come away with ideas for designing professional development in your school.
Audit? Bridging Gaps in Your Picture Book Collection	Karen Perry	Audit makes you think of the IRS. And you are not sure what a diversity audit is. Let's talk about finding gaps through statistics and hands-on actions. Let's talk about bridging gaps with new, diverse titles and serving your student population to the best of your ability.
Using Improvement Science to Accelerate Positive Change in Your Library and Beyond	Priscille Dando	Bring problems of practice, aspirations, or goals for your school library program to this lively session for a hands-on experience generating change ideas for improvement. Improvement Science uses plan-do-study-act cycles to systematically test and act on ideas. Make your case to administrators, meet your evaluation goals, or simply focus on continuous improvement for your program. Leave this session with your first cycle ready to go!

Diversity in Literature: VA Reads & Your Library	Ami Schroder and Katie Bruechert	Come learn about the VAREads diverse books program and get book lists for picture books and middle grade books. The purpose of VAREads is to expose our communities to diverse literature that represents all our learners. Come learn about the program, how you can be involved, hear book talks, and walk away with a packet of ideas!
Rubik's Rumble	Judy Deichman	Rubik's Cube Fun with Mosaics, Competitions, and Activities linked to the 5 C's! Walk away with lessons tied to Virginia SOL's and CS Standards. Learn how to solve the first stages of the cube. Rumble with Rubik's!
Everybody, Come On In Here! Inclusive "Librarying" for Students with Disabilities	Frannie McMilan	In this session you will learn how to initiate respectful, productive conversations with teachers and aides who work with disabled students, how to design activities suitable for a broad range of abilities, and future plans for supporting these students, their teachers, and families in a virtual environment.
Beyond Author Visits: Engaging with Authors and Their Books	Laura Renauld	Author visits can excite students about reading and writing, but they are not always a realistic option. In this session, explore how to connect with book creators through the online #Kidlit community.
Virginia is for History Lovers	Steven Smith	Steven K. Smith, author of The Virginia Mysteries, will share how his popular middle grade series uses history in fiction to inspire reading, writing, and complement classroom social studies learning.
Branching Out with Topics and Trends	Audrey Church	In this fast-paced, information-filled session we'll explore topics and trends from mindfulness to the science of reading, from school librarianship in remote learning to trauma-informed school libraries. For each we'll highlight at least three resources and identify connections to the National School Library Standards for Learners, School Librarians, and School Libraries. Hold on to your seats!
Understanding Emotions and the Spread of Fake News	Christine Woods	Fake news headlines are created to elicit a strong emotional response so that people will click and spread. The "Name It to Tame It" strategy can help students of all ages evaluate news sources and has been proven to be more effective than traditional evaluation checklists. (IREX study)
Middle Grade and YA Lit 2020: The Latest and Greatest	Karla Collins and Jen Spisak	Staying at home has given us time to catch up on some of the new books for middle grade and young adult readers. Come hear us talk about the best books we have read in the last year. Leave with a list of books to add to your collection.
Igniting Research with CoSpaces and Book Creator	Paul Smartschan	This session will provide introductions to the free-version uses of CoSpaces, a virtual reality and coding scene design program, and Book Creator, an e-book creation program. Past activities featuring the platforms that enhanced research, understanding, and excitement will be shared. Time for hands-on experience with the programs will also be provided.
Windows, Mirrors, and Sliding Glass Doors: Help Your Collection Reflect All Students	Stacy Gilbert	Do you want to build greater empathy in your staff and students? Come hear how one library is using the power of reading to build empathy and an inclusive collection. Leave with specific titles to add to your collection and ideas on how to share them with staff and students.

VA Reads + VRC = Can't Miss Reads!	Anna Lingerfelt and Brooke Adams	Each year Brooke and Anna present lessons for each of the ten Virginia Reader's Choice titles. This year we are doubling the fun by including VA Reads into our program. Participants will leave with activities and ideas for each of the ten primary Virginia Reader's Choice books as well as the ten diverse VA Reads choices.
Reading Makes Cents	Lynne Stover	Learn how Reading Makes Cents, a financial literacy reading program available to K-5 students can be implemented. Launched in 2014 by the Virginia Council on Economic Education and the Virginia529 College Plan, this program provides free books, encourages students to learn about personal finance, and rewards them for reading.
Diving into PBL	Deanna Hamlin	What is PBL? Why PBL? Have you heard about PBL, but have been afraid to try it with your students? Does it seem overwhelming? A brief look at the purpose of true PBL and the reasons why it connects students to learning in an authentic manner. How one librarian's journey with PBL went from trepidation to transformation.
Virtual 3D Design Club	Desiree Hopkins	Bring a 3D Design Club to your school! The students design using TinkerCad and are provided tutorials and support. Designs are then printed and then delivered by contactless porch deliveries. Once a month the students have a virtual club meeting with special guests who will talk to students about different aspects of 3Ddesign. They also share their designs and provide feedback to each other.
Help Your Students Climb Their Family Tree: Resources and Tips for Genealogical Research	Dale Harter	Librarians will learn how they can help students do genealogical research. The presenter, a former research archivist/reference librarian at the Library of Virginia, will show attendees how to teach students effective methods for finding information on their ancestors, to include researching in Ancestry.Com Classroom and other online digital resources
Virtual Library Programming	Tonia Eriksen and Stephanie Persson	Are you worried about reaching your students during the school year? We will share how we ran a virtual program to provide activities and lessons for our students. The platforms we used were Instagram, YouTube, and Weebly but the information can be adapted to fit your school's virtual platform.