

# Developing Leaders Academy for PA School Librarians

A Collaborative Initiative

Pennsylvania School Librarians Association & the University of Pittsburgh

Application to Participate: January 1-September 30, 2019

## Instructions for Completing and Submitting Your Application

1. Please complete each section of the application.
2. Sign the second page of the application to indicate your agreement to participate in the Developing Leaders Academy learning activities if you are selected.
3. Make PDFs of your three documents:
  - A. Completed and signed application
  - B. Up-to-date resume
  - C. Administrator Endorsement Form signed by your school or district administrator. Please complete the information on the form first and then ask a school or district administrator to sign the form. (This is to assure that your administrator is aware of and supports your application.)
4. Submit signed application, resume, and signed Administrator Endorsement Form (as PDFs) by **Monday, December 3, 2018, by 11:59 p.m.** to Dr. Mary K. Biagini, Project Director, at [biagini@pitt.edu](mailto:biagini@pitt.edu)
  - If you need additional information or have a question, please contact Dr. Biagini at 412-624-5138.
  - PSLA will award Act 48 hours for participation after completion of the Academy.
  - Applicants will be notified of decisions via email no later than Friday, December 7, 2018.

## Please Type or Print Your Contact Information:

Name:

Complete Home Mailing Address:

City/State:

ZIP Code:

Preferred Email:

Personal Phone:

School Phone:

## My current employment as a PA school librarian:

Please check all that apply:

- I'm employed as a full-time librarian in one PA public, public charter, or independent school.
- I'm employed as a full-time librarian in more than one PA public, public charter, or independent school building or at schools with multiple levels (e.g., M/HS).
- I'm employed as a librarian in a PA public, public charter, or independent school with other assigned duties including classroom teaching.
- I'm the solo librarian for my school district.
- I've pivoted from the classroom to the library within the past three years with little preparation.

School District: \_\_\_\_\_

School Building(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Intermediate Unit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

County of School District: \_\_\_\_\_

**My education as a school librarian:**

\_\_\_\_ I have earned a graduate degree in school librarianship or a related area of education.

College/university: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I am enrolled in a graduate degree program in school librarianship or a related area of education.

College/university: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

My undergraduate major is \_\_\_\_\_ and my minor is \_\_\_\_\_.

College/university: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**My years of experience as a school librarian (including the 2018-2019 school year):**

\_\_\_\_ years of experience as a school librarian      \_\_\_\_ years of experience as a classroom teacher

**My current membership in professional associations:**

- \_\_\_\_ Pennsylvania School Librarians Association (PSLA)
- \_\_\_\_ Regional affiliate of PSLA (Beaver County, Westmoreland County, or Western PA School Librarians Assn)
- \_\_\_\_ American Association of School Librarians (AASL)
- \_\_\_\_ International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE)
- \_\_\_\_ PA Association for Educational Communications and Technology (PAECT)

**By completing and signing this application, I agree to participate in the Developing Leaders Academy, if I'm selected**

**Learning Activities of the Developing Leaders Academy: January-September 2019**

- **Strongly recommended participation:**  
**PSLA Conference: March 28-29-30, 2019 at the Hershey Lodge, Hershey, PA (Meals only covered by grant)**
  - a. March 28 (H): Academy Orientation, 4:30-6:45 pm
  - b. March 29 (F): 2014-2019 Leaders Academy Participants Dinner, 5:30-7:00 pm
  - c. March 30 (Sa): Developing Leaders Academy Self-Assessment and Organization meeting, 10:00 am-12 noon
- **Required participation:**
  - a. **Immersion Experience and PSLA Summit Activities:** July 9-10-11-12 (T, W, H, F) beginning at noon on July 9 and ending at noon on July 12 in Hershey, PA. (Lodging with a participant roommate and meals covered by grant)
  - b. **Seven Virtual Academy sessions:** scheduled in January, February, March, April, May, June, & September 2019, conducted via videoconferencing for one hour on one evening per month from the University of Pittsburgh (specific dates and times to be determined)

**I agree to participate in Developing Leaders Academy learning activities between the beginning of January and the end of September 2019.**

**SIGNED** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name** \_\_\_\_\_