

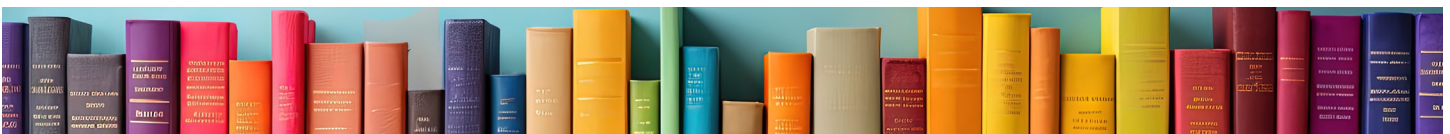
# SHOW ME EXPRESS

 *State Library Newsletter*

July 2024



Missouri Secretary of State  
**John R. Ashcroft**



## Missouri State Library News

### State Librarian's Message

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Your state library team is pleased to announce the newest member of our library development team, Katie Dunne, as youth services consultant. She replaces Lysha Thompson, who has made the difficult decision to find work that is closer to her home and family in the Tuscumbia area. Lysha will begin work at Heartland Regional Library in July.

Katie comes to us from the school library world having worked both for the Southern Boone School District and most recently the Columbia

Public School District. Katie's experience and passion for youth services will serve her well. She is currently scheduling some Summer Library Program visits and welcomes requests to attend one of your Summer Library Program events. She is a delight to work with and has already become a critical part of the state library team! You can reach Katie at [katie.dunne@sos.mo.gov](mailto:katie.dunne@sos.mo.gov) or (573) 526-6734.

### Intro to LSTA Grant Applications Webinar

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The Missouri State Library (MOSL) will offer a "Intro to LSTA Grant Applications" webinar on July 16 at 10 a.m. This discussion is relevant for new directors and staff that may be interested in applying for the LSTA grants offered by MOSL.

The webinar will be recorded, and the recording and slides will be posted. To register click [here](#). If you have any questions, contact Terry Blauvelt at [terry.blauvelt@sos.mo.gov](mailto:terry.blauvelt@sos.mo.gov).

### Adventure Continues at your Library!

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As your summer library programming is in full-swing, consider inviting our new youth services consultant, Katie Dunne, to participate in an upcoming event or activity. Not only is it a great way for Katie to get to know the libraries throughout the state, but it allows you

to showcase all the excitement and wonder that summer programming brings to your local community. Feel free to reach out to Katie at [katie.dunne@sos.mo.gov](mailto:katie.dunne@sos.mo.gov) with questions or invitations!

## State Aid Certification Reminder

Please remember that annual State Aid Certification documents need to be submitted to the Missouri State Library by July 31. These documents must be submitted by this date in order to qualify for state aid.

The three forms that must be submitted are:

1. [State Aid Application](#)
2. [Board of Trustees List](#)
3. [Certification of Compliance](#)



Please remember to attach a narrative with the state aid application providing a summary of how funds were spent in each budget category.

## Voices in Autism

The Missouri State Library in partnership with the Monarch Center for Autism, a division of Bellefleur JCB, presents the *Voices in Autism* series. Every month we will provide a short 5–10 minute conversation highlighting different experiences with autism. This month our mini-conversation is with Mandi Rickelman, MA, director of the Welcoming Spaces Program\* at Monarch, and Miranda Weinkauf. Miranda resides on a farm in southeastern Wisconsin with her family. They have 3 boys, and her oldest, Rexy, is on the spectrum. The family is growing together and trying to pave a way for Rexy to have a place in

If your library's policies are in compliance with 15 CSR 30-200.015 and unchanged since last year, you will not need to resubmit them. If the policies have changed, submit the updated policies with your Certification of Compliance form.

The forms may be submitted by email or FAX:

- **Email** the forms to [mostlib@sos.mo.gov](mailto:mostlib@sos.mo.gov)
- **FAX** the forms to (573) 751-3612

Please submit all documents together. If you have any questions, contact Cory Mihalik at [cory.mihalik@sos.mo.gov](mailto:cory.mihalik@sos.mo.gov) or by phone at (417) 895-5000.

this world. To hear this conversation with Mandi and Miranda, click [here](#).

If you have a program you would like to promote or need a representative from the State Library to attend, please reach out to Merideth Johnson at [merideth.johnson@sos.mo.gov](mailto:merideth.johnson@sos.mo.gov) or (573) 751-1822.

*\*Welcoming Spaces Program hopes to increase the number of community-based venues that are able to successfully meet diverse sensory processing needs, provide helpful communication outlets, and deliver predictability for a neurodivergent world.*

## Stay Connected with TeachingBooks on Social Media!

Engage with TeachingBooks on various platforms, including [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Pinterest](#), [YouTube](#) and X ([Twitter](#))! TeachingBooks shares informative and engaging content, including:

- Celebrations and Observances: Discover how these events connect to children's and young adult literature.
- [Blog](#) and Website Resources: Get easy access to virtual book tours, guest author blog posts and other valuable tools.

Share the knowledge with all Missouri libraries. Easily share content and boost engagement.

- Seamless Resource Sharing: Share TeachingBooks resources with colleagues, readers, and families by using the share arrow button.
- Multiple [Sharing Options](#): Easily share resources via email, embed links on your website, or post them on social media platforms like Facebook and X (Twitter).



By following TeachingBooks and sharing content, you'll gain valuable resources and help others discover the magic of children's and young adult literature.



## Reference Services for YOU: History Hub

[History Hub](#) from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) is a crowdsourcing platform for historical research that is free and open to everyone. The History Hub is a community-driven resource connecting people with government agencies, researchers, and citizen archivists to help with their records-related queries. The platform covers a wide range of record subjects, from genealogy to presidential, military, court and land records.

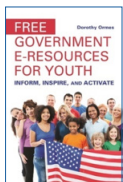
Whether patrons are looking for information about their family history, researching a historical event, or trying to find a specific document, History Hub can help. Users can ask questions

and get answers from multiple sources, including National Archives staff, partner institutions, and a community of genealogists, history experts and public citizens.

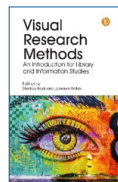
History Hub tools offer [discussion boards](#), [blogs](#) and [community pages](#) to connect experts with researchers. Patrons can also register with the [Citizen Archivist Dashboard](#) to help with transcription projects and enhance National Archive records by tagging records.

Questions? Contact Reference Services at (573) 751-3615, [libref@sos.mo.gov](mailto:libref@sos.mo.gov) or [mostate.libguides.com](http://mostate.libguides.com).

## Books from the State Library



[Free Government E-Resources for Youth](#)



[Visual Research Methods](#)



[Fundamentals for the Instruction Coordinator](#)



[The Library Liaison's Training Guide to Collection Management](#)

Discover Library Professional Development titles as well as recorded webinars, government

publications and more on the [Missouri Library Staff Guide](#).

## State Library Catalog Now Available

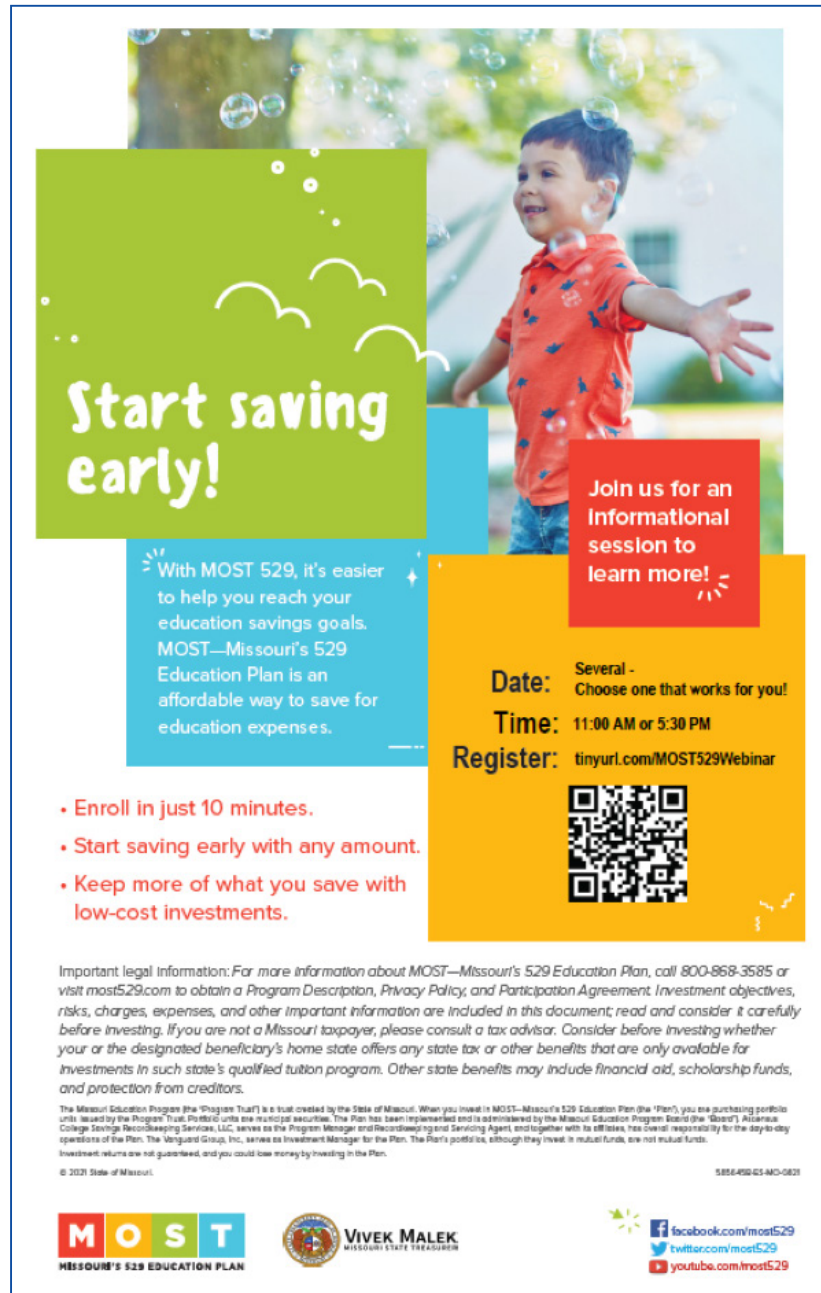
The wait is over! The new State Library catalog is now available, and library directors/branch managers may begin requesting items. With the new catalog comes changes on how to use your State Library card. These are highlighted in the [Changes to Using Your Card](#) section on the Find Books page of the Missouri Library Staff Guide. We also created a [self-paced tutorial](#) to help

familiarize yourself with the new catalog and requesting process.

We appreciate your patience and understanding during this transition. If you have any questions, please contact Reference Services by phone, email or chat. We are available Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

# Around The State

## MOST 529 – Missouri's Education Savings Program




**Start saving early!**

With MOST 529, it's easier to help you reach your education savings goals. MOST—Missouri's 529 Education Plan is an affordable way to save for education expenses.

Join us for an **Informational session to learn more!**

**Date:** Several - Choose one that works for you!  
**Time:** 11:00 AM or 5:30 PM  
**Register:** [tinyurl.com/MOST529Webinar](https://tinyurl.com/MOST529Webinar)



- Enroll in just 10 minutes.
- Start saving early with any amount.
- Keep more of what you save with low-cost investments.

Important legal information: For more information about MOST—Missouri's 529 Education Plan, call 800-868-3685 or visit [most529.com](https://most529.com) to obtain a Program Description, Privacy Policy, and Participation Agreement. Investment objectives, risks, charges, expenses, and other important information are included in this document; read and consider it carefully before investing. If you are not a Missouri taxpayer, please consult a tax advisor. Consider before investing whether you or the designated beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other benefits that are only available for investments in such state's qualified tuition program. Other state benefits may include financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors.

The Missouri Education Program (the "Program Trust") is a trust created by the State of Missouri. When you invest in MOST—Missouri's 529 Education Plan (the "Plan"), you are purchasing portfolio units issued by the Program Trust. Portfolio units are mutual securities. The Plan has been implemented and is administered by the Missouri Education Program Board (the "Board"). Atlantic College Savings Recordkeeping Services, LLC, serves as the Program Manager and Recordkeeping and Servicing Agent, and together with its affiliates, has overall responsibility for the day-to-day operations of the Plan. The Vanguard Group, Inc., serves as Investment Manager for the Plan. The Plan's portfolio, although they invest in mutual funds, are not mutual funds. Investment returns are not guaranteed, and you could lose money by investing in the Plan.

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MISSOURI'S 529 EDUCATION PLAN



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## Grant Opportunities

### Educational Presenter Grant • Deadline: Ongoing

This open-call grant is a combination of the previously offered Author Visit Grant and the Bicentennial Programs Grant, and will replace the two separate grants. Libraries can apply to bring an author or educational presentation to their community. This application is open

to Missouri public libraries certified to receive FY24 state aid, Missouri school libraries publicly supported and publicly controlled, and Missouri academic libraries supported publicly or privately.

## Technology Mini-Grant • Deadline: October 1

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The Technology Mini-Grant will open for applications around August 15 with a due date of October 1. An application overview webinar is scheduled for August 15 at 10 a.m. This webinar will go over basic requirements for the grant,

any changes to allowable items, local match requirements and maximum award amounts. You can register [here](#). Contact Janet Caruthers at [janet.caruthers@sos.mo.gov](mailto:janet.caruthers@sos.mo.gov) or Terry Blauvelt at [terry.blauvelt@sos.mo.gov](mailto:terry.blauvelt@sos.mo.gov) with questions.



## Professional Development Offerings

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### Amigos Library Services

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#### Trainings include:

- Know & Go: Plain Language Guidelines for Libraries, July 8, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
- Know & Go: Project Management Tools, July 15, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
- Developing Community Support and Building Creative Partnerships, July 18, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
- Know & Go: Cultivating an Accessibility Mindset, July 22, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

For the complete training list, visit the [Amigos Continuing Education Services Schedule](#).



### MOREnet

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#### Trainings include:

- Prep Step-Overview and Sign Up, July 8, 9 – 9:45 a.m. Five other 45-minute webinars about specific Prep Step tools are also available.
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) Literacy (general audience), July 15, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- EBSCO Host for Reliable Resources, July 30, 9 – 10 a.m.

For the complete training list, visit the [MOREnet Training Schedule](#).

### Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM)

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#### Trainings include:

- Health Statistics on the Web, July 10, 12 – 1:30 p.m.
- A Librarian's Guide to Consumer Health, August 5 – 30, self-paced online class.

For the complete training list, visit [NNLM Training](#).

### Niche Academy

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#### Trainings include:

- Digital Safety and Privacy for Librarians, July 10, 1 – 2 p.m.
- Navigating AI Ethics, July 31, 1 – 2 p.m.
- Build a Needs Assessment Strategy, July 17, 1 – 2 p.m.

For the complete training list, visit [Niche Academy Upcoming Webinars](#).



## Northeast Document Conservation Center (NEDCC)

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### Trainings include:

- Preventing and Responding to Mold in Book and Paper Collections, July 11, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- Preservation Grant Season, July 16, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

For the complete training list, visit [NEDCC Current Training Programs](#).

## WebJunction

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### Trainings include:

- Why do we fall for misinformation? July 10, 2 – 3 p.m.
- Cultural humility in library work, July 17, 2 – 3 p.m.

For the complete training list, visit the [WebJunction Webinar Calendar](#). Create a free account to access webinar archives and training in the [WebJunction Course Catalog](#).



## Secretary of State Jay Ashcroft

John R. (Jay) Ashcroft is Missouri's 40th secretary of state. Each year Secretary Ashcroft travels to all of Missouri's 114 counties to talk with local officials, students, library executives, and business owners to promote Missouri and learn how he can help make Missouri even better.

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