Event Overview:
School library personnel and the services they offer are essential to the goals of the school and the aims of the school curriculum. They are responsible to ensure that the school community has access to an organized collection of teaching and learning resources and to provide materials that will enrich and support the curriculum; including the skills for both students and staff to optimally access information. Through these network meetings Library staff will be supported in their knowledge of library processes, policies and protocols.

Who can participate?
This professional learning is for staff in the Primary school who are responsible for organizing and maintaining the school library and all that entails.

How the program will be structured?
The program will be offered over four days (one per term). Meetings will take place in different school based and public libraries to support the professional learning and collegial discourse that eventuates from investigating different ways of maintaining the school library.

The program is designed to:
Further develop the role of the library personnel through gaining knowledge, understanding and skills about:

- Learners and learning
- Teachers and teaching
- Resourcing the curriculum
- Facilitating access to information
- Developing the physical environment

What is expected of the participants?
It is anticipated that participants will attend the network meetings prepared to further develop and share their knowledge and skills with other Library support personnel.

What is required of the Principal?
The Principal is asked to promote and validate the importance of the Library and its place in the school, by encouraging and supporting participants to attend all days of the professional learning.

What you can expect from the CEOB:
The CEOB will:
• ensure that presenters will deliver a process and content that is in alignment with library personnel supporting the curriculum and research requirements of students and teachers
• ongoing support from Kate Lawry as required
• ensure that all participants receive the necessary documentation for this program to be recognized as professional learning through the Victorian Institute of Teaching
• manage the costs associated with the provision of this program, however schools will be asked to contribute the regular professional learning fee that is used to cover venue costs and catering

Registration:
Registration for this program will be available online and will close on November 30th 2015.
Registration implies that participants have the full support as outlined of their school principal.
The early close off date will enable CEOB to determine the actual number of participants and the location of these participants which will support us in determining the number of programs that will be run next year and where.
Adherence to this closure date should make it possible to provide all participants with actual program dates and locations by Friday December 4th.

Endorsement
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