

FAQ about ESSA Resources

Where can I locate sample messages including elevator speeches to use with various stakeholders?

Sample message is available on the AASL ESSA and School Libraries Page under Advocacy Resources <http://essa.aasl.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/ESSA-Elevator-Speech-Examples.pdf>
Remember - the focus is on students and include a story when delivering your elevator speech.

Where can I find a copy of the AASL Vision for Implementing ESSA Task Force's presentation at ALA Midwinter 2017?

The presentation and document with links is available on the AASL ESSA and School Libraries Page under Resources and Information <http://essa.aasl.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Opportunities-In-ESSA-for-School-Libraries.pdf>

Where can I find a sample presentation on ESSA to use with various stakeholders?

The presentation made by the AASL Vision for Implementing ESSA Task Force at ALA Midwinter 2017 serves as a sample presentation. It is available on the AASL ESSA and School Libraries Page under Resources and Information <http://essa.aasl.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Opportunities-In-ESSA-for-School-Libraries.pdf>

Where can I find definitions of terms used in ESSA along with talking points?

Definitions of ESSA terms along with talking points are available on the AASL ESSA and School Libraries Page under Resources and Information-Advocacy Tools http://essa.aasl.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/ESSA_Terms_rev.pdf . ESSA terms are discussed in posts on the KQ Blog. <http://knowledgequest.aasl.org>

Where can I find examples of state plans?

On the AASL ESSA and School Libraries Page under Discussion Forum under the thread state plans. <http://essa.aasl.org/forums/>

Where can I find state exemplars/evidence?

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Where can I find a summary of guidance and rulings from the US Department of Education?

Due to the change in administration, various guidance and rules are being reviewed. When the updated guidance and rulings are released, a summary will be released.

Where can I find information on grant writing tips, examples, etc?

The task force is working with the AASL Office to have webinars addressing this need. Stay tuned for announcements concerning this topic.

Where can I find resources on school librarians as leaders?

Currently, *Empowering Learners: Guidelines for School Library Programs* serves as an excellent resource. In response to ESSA, the task force is requesting the AASL Board of Directors to consider a position paper on school librarians as leaders. Additionally, the task force is working with the AASL Office to have webinars on this topic. Stay tuned for announcements concerning this topic.