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# LIBRARY & LITERACY UPDATE

AUGUST 2026

## BACK TO SCHOOL

## IMPORTANT INFO & DATES

### 2026-2027 VCOE LITERACY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES-

click [here](#)

### CDE SCHOOL LIBRARY EVALUATION- [CLICK HERE](#) DUE AUGUST 31, 2026

- Required by ed code
- complete and submit it [here](#)
- password is @YourLibrary



## HELPFUL RESOURCES

- **Library displays and programs**-check out [this padlet](#) for inspo!
- Everything you need to know to prepare for a **Williams Act visit**- click [here](#)
- VCOE's 2026-2027 **Battle of the Books** book lists:
  - [Grades 3-5](#)
  - [Grades 6-8](#)
  - Batalla de los libros- [Grades 4-6](#)
- **CDE- School Libraries Webpage**- [here](#)
  - Model School Library Standards- [here](#)
  - Updated Recommended Literature List- [here](#)
  - Student Success Card for All- [here](#)



### SAGE/CORWIN GRANT OPENS!!

- Grant Amount: \$1,000
- Number of Grants: 58
- Eligibility: Schoolwide libraries only (classroom/teacher libraries are not eligible)
- **Application Opens: August 10, 2026**
- **Deadline to Apply: September 11, 2026, at 10:00 PM (PST)**
- Notification of Awards: By October 9, 2026

Click [here](#) to view the flyer.

## BOOKS FOR BTS

- Best Back to School Books for Kids from Haper Collins- [here](#)
- The Ultimate Teacher Back to School Booklist: 56 Books to Read on the First Day of School- [here](#)
- ALSC Blog: My Favorite Back to School Middle Grade Novels!- [here](#)
- YA Books That Take Place at School- [here](#)



# LIBRARY & LITERACY DAY

*Under the Story Sky: Celebrating the Gift of Story*

NOVEMBER 17, 2026

8:30 AM-3:00 PM



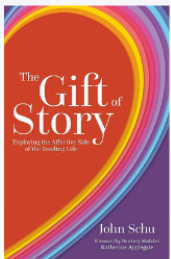
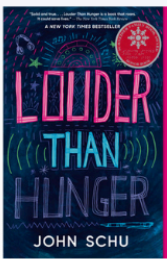
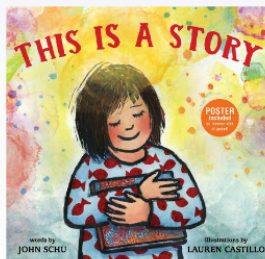
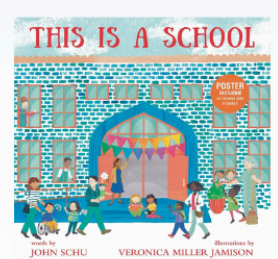
**Keynote: John Schu**  
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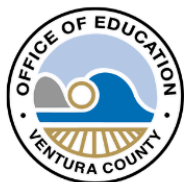


**Audience:** Library staff, Teacher Librarians, Literacy Leads and educators from all grade spans (ECE/TK-12)

**Cost:** \$100- Breakfast and lunch included - scholarships available upon need.

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**Location:**

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