



# DASL NEWSLETTER - JANUARY 2017

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## OFFICERS

Welcome to Tamara Carr, the school media specialist at Lake Forest High School in Felton, DE, who is now serving as our DASL Treasurer!

Ms. Carr attained her Bachelors in Arts from Rutgers University, Masters in Library & Information Science from San Jose State University, and School Library Media Specialist certification from University of Delaware. Currently, Ms. Carr is taking classes at Wilmington University to further her knowledge about the science behind reading.

Check out the library website @ <http://www.lf.k12.de.us/lfhslibrary/>.



**Debbie Burston, who served as our DASL Vice President for a few months, has decided to step down. If you are interested in taking on this role or would like more information, please contact Rachel West.**



Information regarding nominations for DASL's awards are available online at <https://dla.lib.de.us/awards-citations/dasl-awards/>

Please submit all nominations to Rachel by March 31, 2017.

## ADVOCACY UPDATE:



The Delaware Department of Education has completed and released its first draft of the ESSA Implementation Plan. You can read it over at <http://www.doe.k12.de.us/ESSA>. The time for comments has passed, but their second (and final) draft isn't due to the US Department of Education until April, so if there's something you feel like they've left out, please write to the ESSA State Plan email address: [ESSAStatePlan@doe.k12.de.us](mailto:ESSAStatePlan@doe.k12.de.us).

*If you don't speak out, your voice will never be heard.*

The Delaware State Education Association would like to partner with our division members to advocate for Specialized Instructional Support Personnel (SISPs). To that end, Kristin Dwyer, a DSEA representative, will be holding a lobbyist training session on MLK Day (January 16) at from 1-4 at the DSEA Newark office on Ogletown-Stanton Road. Please RSVP by this Thursday (January 12th) so I can get a headcount for seating purposes.

<https://goo.gl/forms/N7A0BsJB40W3iff2>

## QUICK REQUESTS



DASL NEEDS TO PROVIDE A SILENT AUCTION ITEM THE MLA/DLA CONFERENCE IN MAY. IF YOU HAVE IDEAS OR WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR THE BASKET, PLEASE CONTACT RACHEL WEST



WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE MORE DIVISION MEETINGS? PLEASE LET RACHEL WEST KNOW WHAT FORMAT, TOPICS, AND TIMING WOULD BE OF THE MOST INTEREST TO YOU.