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# Library Conference

2015

OCTOBER 5, 2015

8:15 Registration and Refreshments

8:45 Opening and Devotions

9:00 *Session 1* ~ “Equitable Access”: Deepening our Understanding of a Library Learning Commons Core Value  
*Margaret Grift*

10:00 *Session 2* ~ Top Grade Publishing ~ Promoting Canadian Literature  
*Catherine Mitchell*

10:30 BREAK

11:00 *Session 3* ~ Breakout Library “Virtual Tours” and Case Studies

12:15 LUNCH

1:00 PRESENTATION: ResourceMate - New products  
*Brian Watson*

1:15 *Session 4* ~ Facilitated Breakout Discussions  
~Reading Promotion  
~ResourceMate Q&A with Brian Watson  
~Censorship and other issues  
~Open Session

2:15 *Session 5* ~ Reports and Discussion from Breakouts

2:45 CLOSING



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## WORKSHOPS

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### *Session 1* ~ Equitable Access: Deepening Our Understanding of a Library Learning Commons Core Value

*Margaret Grift*

One of the OACS School Library Learning Commons Core Values is "Ensuring Equitable Access". What does it mean to ensure equal access to information for students and teachers? We will touch upon various topics related to equitable access including physical access, the role of technology, library websites, online library catalogues, collection development, censorship and 24/7 access to virtual resources. We will explore the question about whether Christian school libraries differ from other libraries with regards to providing access to information.

### *Session 2* ~ Top Grade Publishing ~ Promoting Canadian Literature

*Catherine Mitchell*

Find out about this terrific and successful program for Canadian kids books. Top Grade is a marketing initiative of the Association of Canadian Publishers, targeting key educators responsible for purchasing books for school boards and school libraries across Canada. Most of Canada's children's book publishers participate, including Annick Press, Fitzhenry & Whiteside, Groundwood Books, Kids Can Press, Orca Book Publishers, Pajama Press, and Second Story Press. Catherine Mitchell has worked in children's publishing for most of her career. As well as consulting for the Top Grade program, Catherine manages rights sales for Pajama Press.

### *Session 3* ~ Library "Virtual Tours"

See some OACS School libraries and ask your tour guides questions about their libraries. Get ideas and share ideas!

### *Session 4* ~ Facilitated Breakout Discussions

Join a small group in speaking about a topic that is specific to your own needs and passions. Topics may include the following:

1. Reading Promotion - Sharing ideas to encourage sustained reading, especially beyond the Primary level
2. ResourceMate Q&A- Brian Watson of ResourceMate will answer any questions you have about these products.
3. High School Librarians will continue their discussion about Censorship and other issues pertaining to high school libraries. Others are welcome to join.
4. Open Session(s) to be determined

### *Session 5* ~ Reports and Discussion from Breakouts



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## REGISTRATION

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### Registration Price

OACS Member Schools: \$ 50.00 + HST per person  
Non-Member Schools: \$ 80.00 + HST per person

### How to Register

Please complete the online registration form by clicking on the following link: [2015 OACS Library Conference](#)

Registrations must be completed by: **Friday, September 18, 2015.**

### Cancellations

Cancellations must be received by: **Friday, September 18, 2015.**  
**NO REFUNDS** will be issued after this date.

### Questions

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact  
[oacs@oacs.org](mailto:oacs@oacs.org), or call the OACS office at 905-648-2100 x10.



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## LOCATION

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The Conference will be held at:

**FLAMBOROUGH HILLS GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB**  
71 HIGHWAY 52 NORTH  
COPETOWN, ON L0R 1J0

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