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## IVDL sessions announced



Several IVDL sessions are part of INFOhio's [Professional Development Opportunities](#) for the first semester of 2006-2007. Designed for Ohio's K-12 educators, the free sessions vary in length, between 60 and 90 minutes. There are six topics in the series that explain various aspects of [INFOhio's Core Collection of Electronic Resources](#) and [OAIMC's Digital Video Collection](#).

There are two ways to participate. Districts/Buildings with IVDL capability can organize their own sessions. Use the Site Registration Form to add your location to the network. Then, promote your location to your colleagues.

A second method is for those willing to drive to one of the seven regional locations that have agreed to host IVDL session. Register online to reserve seats; note that each location has a maximum number of participants. Descriptions for all sessions, a list of regional sites and a link for online registration are at [INFOhio IVDL Sessions, Fall 2006](#). Here's a list of the topics:

- [Britannica Online School Edition - Language Arts and Social Studies](#)
- [Britannica Online School Edition - Science and Math](#)
- [INFOhio Update - What's New With INFOhio's Core Collection](#)
- [SIRS Discoverer](#)
- [OAIMC Digital Video Collection](#)
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## Reynolds receives Durbin Award

**Debbie Reynolds**, Library Media Coordinator for Findlay City Schools Schools, received the INFOhio Hugh Durbin Leadership Award for 2006 at the recent OELMA Conference Awards Luncheon. This is the sixth year the award has been presented. [Read more](#) about the award's namesake, the presentation and acceptance remarks, and view a picture of the recipient.

## Users Council meets; elects officers

The first meeting of the INFOhio Users Council was held October 11, 2006, in Columbus. Representatives from 21 or 23 regions heard Executive Director Theresa M. Fredericka outline INFOhio's strengths and challenges, discussed the Council's organization, considered procedures to communicate with various constituencies of the INFOhio community and elected officers.

**Karon Lippincott**, Library Media Specialist at Beachwood's Hilltop Elementary School (LGCA), was elected Council chair for 2006-2007. **Tracy Varner**, Library Media Specialist at Mercer Elementary School in Forest Hills Local Schools (H/CCA), was elected chair-elect and chair for 2007-2008. The 2006-2007 recorder is **Sally Norton**, Library Media Specialist at Warren High School, Warren Local Schools (SEOVEC). [A list of representatives for 2006-2007](#) and the [Users Council Guidelines](#) are posted on the INFOhio Web site.

## Important News, Stories and More Links



**INFOhio sessions at OELMA** - Each year's OELMA conference features several sessions related to INFOhio's products and services. [A list of this year's sessions](#) is available on the INFOhio Web site. The page includes links to available handouts, *PowerPoint*® presentations and other resources.



The theme for the second annual [Ohio Youth Digital Arts Festival Contest](#) is **Express One Word**. Open to students in grades 9-12, the entry deadline is November 18, 2006. TRECA, one of the 23 ITCs that support INFOhio, is one of the contest co-sponsors. See the work of [2005 finalists and winners](#).