

# ANITA BROOKS KIRKLAND

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As a writer, presenter and consultant, Anita Brooks Kirkland specializes in the areas of information and digital literacy and the role of the school library learning commons. She draws on her extensive experience as a teacher educator, both as an instructor in school librarianship for the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), University of Toronto, and in her previous role as the Consultant for K–12 Libraries at the Waterloo Region District School Board. Anita is very active in professional organizations, and was the 2014 president of the Ontario Library Association. Please visit her website at: [www.bythebrooks.ca](http://www.bythebrooks.ca)

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### PRINCIPALS • 8:30–11:30 a.m.

#### Collaborative Leadership in the Learning Commons

“Learners have a right to expect good school libraries in every school in Canada.” So states the Canadian Library Association’s Leading Learning: Standards of Practice for School Library Learning Commons in Canada (2014), which describes the new school library learning commons as a physical and virtual collaborative learning hub within a whole school approach to building a participatory learning community. In this session we’ll delve into Leading Learning’s framework for program growth. We will collaborate to explore practical strategies to create future-oriented hubs of learning, innovation, and knowledge creation in the school library learning commons, and the leadership role of the school principal in guiding the transformation.

### TEACHER-LIBRARIANS AND LIBRARY TECHNICIANS • 12:45–3:45 p.m.

#### Moving Forward with the School Library Learning Commons

The CLA’s Leading Learning: Standards of Practice for School Library Learning Commons in Canada (2014) describes a vision of the library as a physical and virtual collaborative learning hub. As energizing as that vision is, the challenge of making it happen can seem overwhelming to library staff. But Leading Learning is about growth and building capacity, not about setting unrealistic and unachievable standards. Leading Learning provides a practical framework for every school to succeed. In this session we will collaborate to explore how to move forward with a team approach, so that your school can fully leverage the library’s role in realizing its goals for student success.