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OSLA Sample Selection Policy

In December 2017, OSLA approved a new [Sample Policy Concerning the Selection of School Library Materials](#). School Libraries play a critical role in the academic, intellectual, and social development of students at all levels. It is essential that library collections reflect a wide range of learning resources to support the diverse and multifaceted needs of both teachers and students.

This document is intended as a resource to support school libraries in the development of selection policies which affirm the principles of intellectual freedom.

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CFLA-FCAB's Annual General Meeting

Did you know OLA is a member of the Canadian Federation of Library Associations/Fédération canadienne des associations de bibliothèques (CFLA-FCAB)? CFLA-FCAB has submitted a federal pre-budget submission, responded to the first phase of the Canadian Copyright Consultation, has welcomed new members such as the Canadian Health Libraries Association and much more. Information and updates are available on CFLA-FCAB's [website](#).

Interested in learning more? CFLA-FCAB will be hosting its' Annual General Meeting, and a workshop during OLA's Super Conference, Jan. 31. Refer to the [OLA Super Conference](#) program for room details.

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Activating Indigenous Canada at Your Library

The Canadian Federation of Library Associations (CFLA-FCAB) Indigenous Matters Committee, in collaboration with Edmonton Public Library, Northern Lights Library System, and Toronto Public Library, has developed a toolkit to help public libraries promote and program for the [Indigenous Canada MOOC](#).

Indigenous Canada is a FREE Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) created by the [University of Alberta, Faculty of Native Studies](#) that looks at key issues facing Indigenous peoples today from a historical and critical perspective, highlighting national and local Indigenous-settler relations. As of December 2017, over 16,000 people were signed up for this MOOC.

Libraries across Canada are encouraged to engage with the *Indigenous Canada* MOOC through public programming and staff training opportunities.

Edmonton Public Library (EPL) activated *Indigenous Canada* through a series of speaker events, an exhibit, and the launch of the [Voices of Amiskwaciy](#), a digital platform supporting Indigenous storytelling. The link to the Indigenous Canada MOOC is also prominently displayed on EPL's Exploring Reconciliation page. Check it out [here](#).

Northern Lights Library System's Morinville Community Library is engaging with *Indigenous Canada* through [Learning Circle](#) sessions, an exhibit in partnership with Rise In Solidarity Edmonton (RISE), as well as a Blanket Exercise. See their [Facebook page](#) for more info.

Toronto Public Library (TPL) promoted *Indigenous Canada* through a launch event with Chief Stacey Laforme, Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, as well as a 12-week [Learning Circle](#). At TPL, *Indigenous Canada* is also being offered to staff as a [training](#) and professional