



ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON LIBRARIES AND EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY

NOTICE OF ROUNDTABLE

SUBJECT: The use of 21st Century Technology in Libraries

PURPOSE: To ensure New York State Libraries are receiving adequate technological support.

ALBANY, NEW YORK

Thursday
March 3, 2016
10:30 a.m.

Room 711-A
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Legislative Office Building
Albany, NY 12248

PARTICIPATION BY INVITATION ONLY

The digital divide continues to grow while reliance on advanced technologies continues to expand. Many library patrons rely on libraries for access to these technologies. As a result, the committee will hold a roundtable looking at how the state is currently supporting libraries' use of 21st Century technology and if that support is adequate.

This roundtable will seek testimony to understand what resources libraries already have and what libraries currently need in order to fulfill the technological needs of their users. This includes: broadband access; digital archiving; education technology in libraries; and digital sharing of e-books among libraries.

Persons wishing to participate at the above roundtable should complete and return the enclosed reply form as soon as possible. It is important that the reply form be fully completed and returned so that persons may be notified in the event of emergency postponement or cancellation.

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