

LIBRARY CENTERS/MAKERSPACES: Creating More Engaging Learning Spaces in Your School LIBRARY



A Unique One-Day Live Online Seminar Presented by

Crystal Trice

Award-Winning School Librarian

**Specifically Designed for School Librarians, Media Specialists,
Library Aides, and Administrators Serving Grades K-12**

Practical strategies to incorporate more active, hands-on learning in your school library program

Innovative ideas to help you implement work stations that make the most of your time, space, technology, and budget

Proven techniques and examples of exemplary library centers and makerspaces from across the country

Timesaving tips and planning templates to maximize your space and organize your materials

LIVE ONLINE SEMINARS

November 19

9 AM Eastern, 8 AM Central,
7 AM Mountain, 6 AM Pacific

December 1

9 AM Central, 8 AM Mountain,
7 AM Pacific, 10 AM Eastern

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your convenience (see page 6)

"I loved everything! This seminar validated some things already in place, and gave many, many, many ideas for the future."

— ELIZABETH SUFFRON, LIBRARIAN

Ten Key Benefits of Attending

"I loved this seminar! So many great ideas. I can now appreciate just how many different projects can be done with simple materials."

– MARY BEAUCHEMIN,
LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALIST



Who Should Attend

School Librarians, Media Specialists, Library Aides, and Administrators
Serving Grades K-12

1. **Learn Practical and Easy Ways to Incorporate Library Centers and Makerspaces That Will Transform Your School Library**

Dozens of ideas, strategies and resources to help you create and enhance library centers and makerspaces in your library ... Cost-effective and innovative strategies you can use immediately!

2. **Learn Timesaving Tips and Tricks**

Learn from the experience of others who have created outstanding student work stations in their school libraries ... Discover what worked and what didn't, plus proven techniques and examples from exemplary library stations and makerspaces from across the country

3. **Increase the Effectiveness and Impact of Your School Library Program**

Specific strategies for enhancing library centers and makerspaces to increase the effectiveness and impact of your school library

4. **Maximize Your Limited Time and Resources**

You don't have to start from scratch and spend hours of time planning ... Use what you already have and add to it along the way ... Crystal will show you how!

5. **Support the Creativity and Collaboration of AASL Standards and 21st Century Learning Skills**

Learn proven ways to go beyond student engagement to build environments rich in creation, collaboration, critical thinking, and communication

6. **Reinforce Literature Connections**

Deepen student engagement with books and authors when students are actively learning at library centers and makerspaces

7. **Making Time for Makerspaces and Library Centers**

Discover strategies for creating time for makerspace exploration during your library's busy schedule ... Practical strategies for making makerspaces and library centers function efficiently within your busy day

8. **Making Space for Everything**

Yes, you can keep your books and provide access to the learning tools your students need to succeed, and have fun doing it! ... Identify strategies for organizing your learning centers to fit, no matter how big (or small) your space is

9. **Stretch Your Budget**

Discover budget-friendly items that you already have on hand or can buy inexpensively, as well as the higher cost items that you'll want to add to your library wish list

10. **Receive an Extensive Library Centers and Makerspaces Digital Handbook**

Leave with a digital resource handbook filled with the newest ideas and strategies for creating and enhancing your school library centers and makerspaces

Outstanding Strategies You Can Use Immediately

What You Will Learn ...

- **The latest ideas for library centers and makerspaces** and how you can use them to enhance your current library program
- **Time-management and organizational strategies** to maximize library center use
- **How library centers and makerspaces** can help with behavior management
- **Make connections** to reading with library centers and makerspaces
- **Ways to meet the AASL standards** for creativity, communication and collaboration with library centers and makerspaces
- **Dozens of library center and makerspace ideas** you can use right away
- **How to create library centers and makerspaces** that work for multiple grade levels, saving you time
- **Creative ways to teach students to collaborate** through makerspace activities
- How to use **design-thinking to help your students succeed** academically
- How to most **effectively use volunteers and student helpers**
- Ways to **challenge students to use higher-level thinking skills and to boost creativity** with a variety of makerspace activities



"This was a great seminar! I picked up a lot of new ideas and learned how to use some of the materials I own but had no training for!"

– JENNINE CERRA, LIBRARY MAKERSPACE TEACHER

Practical Ideas and Strategies

In this seminar, experienced school librarian, author and blogger **CRYSTAL TRICE** will share how you can develop a more engaging and dynamic library space and schedule that encourages students to create, collaborate and extend their learning in your library. Gain many cost-effective ideas you can use right away. Learn how to locate inexpensive resources, maximize your library space and tie learning centers to literature. Whether you are already using library centers and makerspaces or are new to these strategies, you will leave with a wealth of new ideas!

Join Crystal for an inspiring day filled with practical tips that will give you the tools you need to develop or enhance your own library centers and makerspaces. ***You will also receive a comprehensive digital resource handbook that has been specifically designed for this seminar, filled with outstanding ideas to help you get started with or to enhance your current library centers and makerspaces.***



A Message From Seminar Leader, Crystal Trice



Uniquely Qualified Instructor

CRYSTAL TRICE is an award-winning school librarian and frequent state and national presenter. With experience as both a School Librarian and Youth Services Librarian, she brings a depth of knowledge and practical experience to her presentations. Crystal blends library expertise and a passion for sharing practical ways educators can add creative spark within their school libraries. Crystal is known for her inspirational message, budget friendly ideas, and innovative ways for creating outstanding makerspaces and learning centers. In addition, she is the author of *LIBRARY CENTERS/MAKERSPACES: Creating More Engaging Learning Spaces in Your School LIBRARY*, the extensive digital resource handbook you will receive at the seminar. Crystal's seminars are exciting, fun, practical, and packed with creative ideas you can use right away. Join her for a day filled with the most effective, easy-to-implement ideas to help you create or enhance motivating and engaging makerspaces and library centers in your school.

Dear Colleague:

I had library centers and a makerspaces in my school library before I knew to call them that. Students could come to the library and create things using markers, scissors and glue. They used these simple materials to prototype iPad apps, create public service announcements, and teach each other drawing skills. There was a loud outcry on days I happened to run out of paper!

In recent years, more and more school libraries have developed extensive library centers and makerspaces, providing a place for their students and community to collaborate, design and learn together. I have researched and studied the best examples in order to provide you with the best, current strategies and practical ideas to enhance your own library program.

At this seminar, we will examine existing library centers and makerspaces together. We will learn what worked for them (and what didn't)! We will also discuss how to energize your stakeholders and leaders for the project, how and where to gather creative materials inexpensively, and how to create a project plan that will maximize the space and time you have available. We will also examine the educational benefits of makerspaces and library centers, the importance of rules within your creative environment, and ideas that can fit a variety of budgets.

The bottom line is, your library centers and makerspaces should be purposeful, meaningful and support your school or community needs. I have designed this seminar to show you just how you can accomplish these goals. I will show you examples of outstanding library center and makerspace ideas and activities that are easily replicated in any school library. I will also share timesaving tips and ideas and how to effectively use volunteers to keep your library space functioning smoothly and with minimal time and effort.

Whether you work in an elementary, middle, or high school library, this seminar will provide you with the motivation, strategies and resources to start up or enhance your own successful makerspace and library centers.

Sincerely,

Crystal Trice

P.S. This seminar will focus on practical, budget-friendly ideas that will help you quickly establish or enhance thriving library centers and makerspaces in your library.

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What Your Colleagues Say About Crystal Trice

*"Crystal is an amazing instructor with **so many practical and easy-to-implement ideas and strategies!**"*

– Julie Rohan, Media Center Director

*"**Crystal did a great job with this seminar.** I feel empowered to implement these ideas in my library space. My aha moment: makerspaces can begin with a small idea and a few supplies that you already have in your room."*

– Christina Nieves, Library Media Specialist

*"Crystal is an amazing presenter who was **extremely knowledgeable** and made our makerspace learning fun and engaging."*

– Catherine Chidiac, Media Specialist

*"Wonderful – I loved how the seminar was organized! I got **loads of great ideas** and am inspired to go bigger next year!"*

– Beth Hale, Teacher Librarian



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"Fabulous workshop! This was just what I needed to get my makerspace up and running."

- MARY SAUNDERS,
SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

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You will receive an extensive makerspaces and library centers digital resource handbook giving you access to countless strategies. The handbook includes:

- Practical techniques for planning, establishing and enhancing library centers and makerspaces in your school
- Ideas and activities easily replicated in any school library
- Real-life examples from successful school libraries to inspire you
- Numerous ideas for low-cost library centers and makerspaces
- Specific literature connections for your library centers and makerspaces
- Ways to use your library centers and makerspaces to advocate for your library program

Consultation Available

Crystal Trice will be available for consultation regarding your questions and the unique needs of your own school library program.

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- ☐ 1. **November 19, 2026** (Start time: 9 AM Eastern)
- ☐ 2. **December 1, 2026** (Start time: 9 AM Central)
- or —
- ☐ 3. **I'd like to order the recorded version of this seminar**

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