

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY 2025

APRIL 17, 2025



8:45 - 9:10	Sign In/Refreshments
9:10 - 11:00	All-Staff Session
11:00 - 11:15	Group Photo
11:15 - 11:30	Break
11:30 - 12:15	Breakout Session 1
12:15 - 1:15	Lunch Break
1:15 - 1:55	Breakout Session 2
1:55 - 2:10	Break
2:10 - 2:50	Breakout Session 3
2:50 - 3:00	Sign Out
3:00 - 4:30	The Campfireball in the Large Meeting Room

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ALL-STAFF SESSION

INDEPENDENCE PARK THEATRE

**9:10
to
10:00**

LIBRARY LEADERSHIP

Library Director Katrina Stokes and Assistant Directors Mary Stein and Lori Juge will welcome staff and share updates on current Library news and projects.

**10:00
to
11:00**

GUEST SPEAKERS

Adam St. Pierre, President of Patrons of the Public Library, will share an overview of what PoPL's been up to lately.

Sarah Noles and Bridget Gaffney from Visit Baton Rouge will introduce the Capital City Champions Academy, a free online training designed to equip you with the knowledge to answer the ultimate question: "What is there to do in Baton Rouge?"

Carrie Patterson will join us from the Louisiana Balance of State Continuum of Care, Louisiana's largest coalition to end homelessness. Carrie has been serving as LA BOSCO Manager since May 2022. A Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Carrie has experience working with vulnerable people and communities in a variety of capacities.

**11:00
to
11:15**

GROUP PHOTO

Head outside and strike a pose for the 2025 Staff Development Day Group Photo.

BREAKOUT SESSION 1

11:30 - 12:15

Independence Park Theatre

Youth Services Resources for Adult Patrons

Our Teen and Children's Services collections are full of resources for parents, teachers, and more! Come see what you're missing.

Large Meeting Room

Everybody Needs a Job

Career Center staff will give an overview of their resources and practices.

Teen Programming Room

Pitch, Plan, Program!

Successful programmers from across the system will share their tried-and-true methods for planning programs patrons will love.

Meeting Room 102

Narcan Training

Trudy Wickham, Overdose Prevention Coordinator with the LA Department of Health, will provide training on how to recognize the signs of an opioid overdose and administer the opioid overdose reversal drug Naloxone.

Baton Rouge Room

Special Collections Open House

Staff will be on hand for guided tours, an explanation of resources, and to answer all of your questions about the magical world of Special Collections!

LUNCH BREAK

**12:15
to
1:15**

Box lunches will be distributed in
the Main Library Lobby.

Lunch Break Optional Activities



We'll have football,
basketball, cornhole,
and more in the Plaza -
challenge your
coworkers to a few
friendly games!

Join Library Director
Katrina Stokes
for an informal lunch
& chat in the Teen
Programming Room.

Grab a seat in Meeting
Room 102 and take in
some local sports
highlights while you enjoy
your lunch.

BREAKOUT SESSION 2

1:15 - 1:55

Independence Park Theatre

The Campfireball Mini-Session

Come get a taste of The Campfireball interactive storytelling experience.

Large Meeting Room

Hands-Only CPR Training

CPR can double a cardiac arrest victim's chances of survival. Learn this lifesaving skill from Baton Rouge Cardiology Center experts.

Teen Programming Room

Replacing V-smart

When are we getting a new ILS? Computer Services staff will give an overview of the work done so far and the next steps in the process.

Meeting Room 102

Book Mending 101

Learn the best practices of book mending from our in-house experts. Attendees can ask questions, book one-on-one training for later, and bring an item for repair advice.

Second-Floor Computer Lab

Makerspace Open House

Come visit the Main Library's Tech Lab and get a technological taste of what we're making!

BREAKOUT SESSION 3

2:10 - 2:50

Independence Park Theatre

Have I Got News for You!

A look at how to spot fake news, AI images, and more. Ending with a fun news quiz!

Large Meeting Room

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Teen Programming Room

Pump Up Your Canva!

Learn how to use all Canva has to offer to create attention-grabbing marketing materials.

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Second-Floor Computer Lab

We Mean Business

Check out the resources, networking opportunities, and workshops the Small Business Service provides to EBRPL patrons.

Thank you for participating in Staff Development Day 2025!

- Event and session materials will be available soon on the Training & Development Hub Page.
- Be on the lookout for a follow-up evaluation survey. We are always looking for feedback to improve this event for the future.

The fun's not over!
Join us for a full-length
session of The Campfireball
in the Large Meeting Room
after sign-out.



Recycled Reads is holding a
special sale for EBRPL staff
from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.
at 3434 North Blvd.
All staff are invited to attend,
and friends and family
are also welcome.