Wisconsin Valley Library Service presents:

Annual Youth Services Workshop

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

Wausau Community Room, Marathon Co. Public Library, 300 First Street, Wausau 54403 / Map & Parking directions
Register by December 1st online.

- *Participants will learn ways to create change that works in any size library and strategic practices to enhance their library's usage.*
- *Participants will learn ways to consider library spaces and services in terms of inclusivity.*
- *Participants will learn what computational thinking is and how it relates to patron and staff learning opportunities.*

9:00 – 9:30 AM Coffee and conversation

9:30 – Noon Flipping Your Space and Flashing Your NF

- Join **Patti Becker** from Barron Public Library as she describes the 13-month journey to redesign a 103-year-old Carnegie space into one that encourages families and patrons to stay awhile and explore. Patti will share her adventures in redesign, weeding, creating new Tween areas and collection changes, de-emphasizing Dewey numbers and simplifying picture book area into subjects.
- Southwest Library System and Winding Rivers Library System Youth Services Consultant **Marge Loch-Wouters**, will delve more deeply into ways to celebrate and promote your youth non-fiction collection include tips on displays, strategic selection; ways to increase circulation and ways to stretch your budget to create a dynamic NF collection.

Noon – 1 PM Lunch on your own. Register for $8 catered in, brown bag it or walk downtown

1:00 – 3:30 PM Holistic Services and Digital Literacy: New Ways of Thinking About What We Do with **Tessa Michaelson Schmidt**, DPI/DLT Youth and Inclusive Services Consultant

- **What Does It Mean to Be Inclusive?** - Making libraries inclusive, from the inside and out, depends on library staff, administration, and community members working together toward common understanding. A person's age – or any other dimension of identity – should neither negatively influence nor interfere with welcoming access to library services. But how, exactly, could/should/would a library assess their actual (and perceived) accessibility?
- **Coding Initiative Update** - Have you found your coding path? Or are you still searching for an intersection between public libraries and computational thinking? The Coding Initiative in Wisconsin Public Libraries is a multi-year project facilitating the whys and hows of coding for library staff and library users of all ages. This session will highlight the online Coding Pathways tools and feature coding stories from libraries around the state.

Door prizes to follow presentations! **4.5 CEUs for the day.**
School and public youth librarians from all Wisconsin public library systems are welcome!
If you anticipate needing any type of accommodation, please contact Kris Adams Wendt at kawendt@wvls.org.