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Dear Affiliate President:

As part of the Learning4Life (L4L) implementation plan for the *Standards for the 21st-Century Learner* and forthcoming *Empowering Learners: Guidelines for School Library Media Programs*, AASL is convening an all-day training summit in Chicago on July 9, just prior to the 2009 ALA Annual Conference.

"Learning4Life: Training4Trainers" is designed to support state-level L4L Implementation Coordinators so they may return to their affiliate organization and develop customized state-level implementation strategies. Coordinators will also work collaboratively with AASL leadership, the Standards and Guidelines Implementation Task Force, and AASL staff to further implementation efforts over the next three to five years.

Each AASL affiliate that has completed the current reaffiliation cycle is invited to appoint a member from their organization to serve as their L4L Coordinator and participate in the training summit. A coordinator should demonstrate the following characteristics:

- Articulate
- Collaborative
- Committed to the summit and the required work before and after

Since AASL's national implementation plan is expected to take three to five years to roll out, please consider an individual's ability to continue in the L4L Coordinator role for more than one year. Please note: each coordinator must be a current, personal member of AASL. AASL will contact your representative directly with further details.

Costs for the summit will be underwritten by AASL and partially offset by a generous donation by Verizon Foundation/Thinkfinity. These expenses include summit registration, meals and refreshments for the day, and training materials. To help defray the cost of travel, each state organization sending a coordinator will receive a \$200 stipend.

If an affiliate organization wishes to send an additional representative, organizers will make every effort to accommodate, but AASL will be unable to underwrite the cost of their participation. A registration fee of \$109 will be required.

Please carefully consider your nomination and submit to Jen Habley at the AASL office by June 1, 2009. For more information on Learning4Life, visit the AASL website at: www.ala.org/aasl/learning4life or contact Jen Habley at 800-545-2433 x 4383 or jhabley@ala.org.

Sincerely,

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Implementation Coordinator Nomination Form

An initiative of the American Association of School Librarians

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Name of Affiliate Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Name of President: _____ Email: _____

L4L Coordinator: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____ Fax: _____

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