



Illinois Heartland Library System

Preliminary Report on 2025 Certification Process

Background: By law, all libraries are required to annually certify that they are compliant with system membership criteria outlined in Illinois Library Law. In addition, libraries are asked to complete the Illinois Interlibrary Loan Statistical Survey which documents interlibrary loan activity for that agency. The window for certification is open between January 2 and March 31.

As of this writing, all agencies have completed the certification with the exception of two school districts. These districts have been sent a certified letter from our school library liaison.

It is anticipated that two additional schools will be recommended for suspension because they no longer meet the legally required membership criteria. They are:

- Gibault High School (Waterloo). The library has been closed.
- Mulberry Grove CUSD #1 (Bond County): No staffing.

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