



Illinois Heartland Library System

TO: IHLS Board of Directors
FROM: Ellen Popit
DATE: May 6, 2025
RE: Membership Considerations

Final Report on 2025 Certification Process

Background: By law, all libraries are required to certify annually that they are compliant with system membership criteria outlined in the Illinois Library Law & Rules. In addition, libraries are asked to complete the Illinois Interlibrary Loan Statistical Survey that documents interlibrary loan activity for that agency. The window for certification is open between January 2 and March 31, 2025.

Two school districts that had failed to certify were contacted via certified mail at the end of the certification process. One district successfully completed the certification, and one never responded.

Three school districts that the Membership Team will recommend for suspension to the Illinois Heartland Library System Board are:

- Gibault High School (Waterloo, Ill): The library has been closed
- Lawrence County CUSD #30: No response
- Mulberry Grove CUSD #1 (Bond County): No staffing.

Motion to approve Membership Considerations.

IMAGINING TOMORROW, DELIVERING POSSIBILITIES TODAY!

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