

# MARCH 2, 2016 LIBRARY ADVOCACY DAY

### **Your Voice Matters**

Each year library advocates from across New York State converge on Albany to voice their support for funding and policies that benefit libraries. Your attendance can make a BIG impact. Join us for meetings with your NYS representatives to make the case that Libraries ARE Education! and should receive funding increases and infrastructure investments that respect our role in the community.

### MHLS makes the day easy!

- Online Advocacy Day Briefing: February 19<sup>th</sup> @10:00am
- Coordinated bus transportation along the NYS Thruway
- All appointments are made centrally through MHLS

Register *Today*for this historic
year of Library
Advocacy in
Albany

Registration and Transportation details for March 2 on the reverse.

Advocacy Day
Briefing (Online)
February 19<sup>th</sup>
@10:00am

Register online at http://calendar.midhudson.org

### **QUESTIONS?**

Contact Rebekkah Smith
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# **Registration Details for Advocacy Day**

### **Option 1: Drive yourself to Albany**

- Register with MHLS at <a href="http://calendar.midhudson.org">http://calendar.midhudson.org</a>
- Directions & Parking: <a href="http://bit.ly/1gEvi7k">http://bit.ly/1gEvi7k</a>
- Meet up location LOB120. Map of the Empire State Plaza: http://bit.ly/1TIZ8SD
- Shared schedule of appointments will be emailed to you before March 2

### **Option 2: Take the Bus to Albany**

- Register through the Ramapo Catskill Library System: http://calendar.rcls.org/
- Make checks (\$9 per person, non-refundable) payable to "RCLS" and send to Ruth Daubenspeck/RCLS, 619 Route 17M, Middletown, NY 10940-4395
  - Registration & Payment Deadline: February 25<sup>th</sup> Late registration will not be accepted.

## PLEASE ARRIVE **AT LEAST 15 MINUTES BEFORE** DEPARTURE)

- West Nyack 6:45am (Palisades Center)
- Newburgh 7:30am (Newburgh Mall)
- New Paltz 7:45am (Thruway Exit 18 Parking Lot)
- Kingston 8:15am (Thruway Exit 19)
- Catskill 8:40am (Thruway Exit 21)

Leaves Albany at 3:30pm

Refreshments, advocacy information and schedule of appointments will be provided on the bus.

**Questions?** Contact Rebekkah Smith Aldrich, MHLS Coordinator for Library Sustainability: <a href="mailto:rsmith@midhudson.org">rsmith@midhudson.org</a> or 845.471.6060 x239