

Great Upcoming Workshops, ROE Student Photo Contest, and more!



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Mastering Information Literacy - November 30, 2016

In today's world, information about everything is available at our fingertips. It's important to know how to sift through all of this data to find resources, determine their value, and synthesize them meaningfully. Follett is partnering with Kane County ROE to offer a professional development course, [Mastering Information Literacy!](#)

In this session, we will explore four steps to help you build an information literacy project for your students and show you how Follett can help. The course will be held at the Kane County ROE office and will be from 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM

[Register Now!](#)



ROE 3rd Annual Student Photography Contest Continues

The ROE is continuing the tradition of the Student Photography Contest and we've seen over 150 photos entered into the contest in just 3 weeks! Each week, the top 10 submissions are featured on Kane County Connects.

On Thursday, December 15, the ROE will be hosting the student art reception with Batavia Enterprises at Water Street Studios in Batavia for an evening of appetizers, entertainment, and the celebration of amazing student photography. Want to be part of this friendly academic competition highlighting academic arts? New photography classes are welcome to join anytime during the 9 week contest, Contact [Mike Ademe at mademe@kaneroe.org](mailto:Mike.Ademe@mademe@kaneroe.org) for more information on the submission schedule and guidelines.



[See the top 10 photos from Week 2!](#)
[See the top 10 photos from Week 3!](#)

Registration for the National Spelling Bee Now Open

The National Spelling Bee is now open for registration! Schools have until December 12th to register online to hold their individual spelling bees. The winner from each school will then go onto a semi-final spelling bee, and then a final spelling bee hosted by the ROE. The final winner will advance to the National Spelling Bee held in Washington DC, sponsored by the ROE and any other sponsors!

[Register your school here!](#)



Student Loan Forgiveness Program

If you are searching for a way to lower your monthly student loan payments or make additional degrees more affordable, the Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program may be an option for you. Visit <http://KaneROE.myisls.com>, enter code KANE & see if you qualify.



[Click here to download the Student Loan Forgiveness packet.](#)

Innovations in Teaching: Virtual Reality in the Classroom

Virtual Reality is one of the hottest topics of 2016 as it has become more commercially available. VR technology is being applied to various areas of society, including education. [This article](#) highlights how schools throughout the USA are planning to implement VR technology into their learning environment.



[Read the Article](#)

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