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Learning Activities for each Grade Band and Pillar of Information Literacy will be ready for pilot deployment by January 2026. Several school librarians are interested in piloting the

activities to ensure they fill the need for curricular support. The pilot phase will last through March 2026.

In addition, we are actively planning a National Forum on Reimagining Information Literacy to be held online July 14 and 15, 2026.

If you're interested in learning more about the project, [please visit our website](#). You will find recordings from the October Series of Pillars of Information Literacy Training sessions, information about a new Community of Practice on Information Literacy we are supporting, and more general information about the project.

You may also want to visit [LibraryLink NJ's website](#) for their asynchronous online modules that introduce basic information literacy concepts. They are a great starting point for someone just becoming familiar with information literacy.

If you'd like to learn *even more* about the project or express your interest in becoming a participant in the pilot activities, attending the forum or training, please contact Jen Nelson jnelson@njstatelib.org.

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