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ENDORSEMENT ACADEMY &
CONTINUING EDUCATION



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IAlearns One Year Anniversary

It's already been one year since the State Library debuted a new and improved learning management system called **IAlearns**. This new online space is our education catalog, combining live webinars and self-paced classes, along with all of the course content required for the new Endorsement Academy. Inside **IAlearns** you'll find class handouts and evaluations. And one of the best features of **IAlearns** is that, for everyone who sets up an account, the software tallies classes taken and credits earned.

Continuing Education Consultant Samantha Bowers recently compiled some statistics from an impressive year of State Library-sponsored education. Here are some highlights from FY2021

- 7,100 attendees received training, with the high mark reached in January 2021
- 10,225 C.E. Credits awarded; this number includes State Library-provided training plus Requests for External CE Credit from other education providers
- 70% of credit hours awarded for State Library training occurred in live, online sessions, representing 92 live webinars in multiple sessions.
- The State Library's Continuing Education YouTube Channel saw 11,200 views, with a 57% increase in new subscribers.

Touring the [State Library Continuing Education](#) webpage would be a great demonstration to provide at an upcoming board meeting. Hint: Iowa library trustees are welcome to set up an **IAlearns** account for themselves ... same goes for library support staff !!

Samantha has flipped the above statistics into an infographic, find it at the button below. Cheers to one year with **IAlearns**, a fresh and modern system that manages all things

continuing education-related!

Enjoy C.E. Highlights From FY21



State Data Center

2020 Census Data Available

The State Data Center has received the 2020 Census information from the U.S. Census Bureau. The Data Center is under the administration of the State Library of Iowa. The 2020 statistics provide the first look at population changes and include information on Hispanic origin, race, housing occupancy, as well as statistics on where people were living as of April 1, 2020 in Iowa towns, cities, and counties. Thanks to State Data Center Coordinator Gary Krob for this Quick Fact compilation:

Iowa 2020 Census Quick Facts

- Iowa's population is 3,207,031
- The largest county is Polk County with 492,401 population
- Adams County comes in as the smallest county with 3,704 population
- The largest incorporated municipality in the state is Des Moines with 214,133 residents; while Le Roy in Decatur County claims the smallest municipality, with a population of 11
- Overall, 99.9 percent of Iowa's households were enumerated for the 24th decennial census, with 71.5 percent of households self-responding and 28.4 percent requiring follow-up from Census workers to be counted.

The original Census timeline was delayed by several months due to the pandemic. The Iowa Legislature will now use the 2020 Census data in the upcoming redistricting process. The population counts will also determine how billions of dollars in federal funding is allocated to communities across the country.

About the State Data Center

The State Data Center of Iowa is the source for population, housing, business, and government statistics about Iowa. The Center includes information from the U.S. Census Bureau, Iowa state agencies, and other state and federal sources. The State Data Center is a program of the State Library, contact Center Coordinator Gary Krob with questions or for assistance (gary.krob@iowa.gov 515-281-6618)

Explore the 2020 Census Data

Summer Reading Survey Wrap-Up



Complete Survey to Win a Prize Pack of Books!

To close out the 2021 summer season, the State Library is asking Iowa public libraries to complete a survey regarding this year's **Summer Reading Program**. The survey asks about the number of in-person, online, and passive programs offered, as well as the total number of attendees at in-person programs in June, July, and August.

Questions also ask about the 2021 theme "*Reading Colors Your World*," along with resources, training, and support offered by the State Library.

The main goal of this survey is to gauge the impact of Iowa's summer library programs. Results will be shared with the federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) which provides funding for the State Library to provide the summer library program materials and training. Your feedback will also help the State Library and our newly hired Youth Services Consultant know how to enhance the program for next year and beyond.

By entering your contact information and completing the survey, your library will be entered into a drawing to win a prize pack of books for children and teens. Only two days left to complete the survey at the link below. Doing so **by Thursday September 30th** qualifies for the drawing: a prize pack of books!

Directors: if you were not directly in charge of your library's summer program, please forward this email and survey link to the appropriate staff member.

Thank you in advance for your participation and feedback!

[Complete the 2021 Summer Library Survey](#)

This Week ...



Prepping For Accreditation. September 28. 10:00-11:00AM

For all libraries in the upcoming accreditation reporting cycle—those needing to report in February 2022—this extended online series is sure to be helpful. **Prepping For Accreditation** continues tomorrow with the second session "**Planning Part 2.**" These are ZOOM conversations and will be recorded, although they are not for c.e. credit. Libraries

intending to increase their Tier status from Tiers 0-1-2-3 will also benefit. No registration is necessary, here's the ZOOM Room link we'll use each time <https://zoom.us/j/450969235>

State Library's Learning Circuit. September 30. 10:15AM-3:00PM

Customer service is the focus of this all-day virtual workshop, beginning with the keynote presentation by Bryce Kozla speaking on the six principles of trauma-informed care. The afternoon portion will include a guided discussion aimed at putting the library staff in the patrons' shoes, designing positive customer experiences in any size library. Still time to register for either the morning keynote, the afternoon portion—or both!

[Register For The Learning Circuit In IALearn](#)

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