



August 1, 2023

From the CE Team

Register Now for the Learning Circuit on Sept. 28!



Thursday, Sept. 28

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. | 6 in-person locations

Howdy, Partner! 2023 has been the year of “Productive Partnerships,” from the State Library CE Team. The Learning Circuit this fall will give us one more chance to think about who our libraries might partner with as we serve our communities.

No two service areas are the same, so we’ll start our day learning about how we can discover and tap into those unique elements that make up our communities’ strengths with a “Community Asset Mapping” workshop. Later in the day, we’ll spend time fine-tuning our library networking pitch, so that wherever/whenever you run into a potential partner, you’re ready to go!

As with 2022, we’ll have national experts Zoomed in to set up the topics for us, and your District Staff will be on hand to guide you through the hands-on workshop portions of the day.

Each district is hosting a location for the Learning Circuit; choose the one most convenient for you to attend:

- **Northwest:** Sioux Center Public Library
- **North Central:** Joice Community Center
- **Northeast:** Central Rivers AEA (Cedar Falls)
- **Southwest:** Carroll Public Library
- **Central:** Bondurant Community Library
- **Southeast:** Coralville Public Library

Your registration fee of \$20 includes a continental breakfast and box lunch. The registration fee can be paid online with major credit card or e-check; checks will also be accepted by mail and must be received by Tuesday, Sept. 12.

[More Information and Learning Circuit Registration](#)

Newly-Added Events



Lunch with the State Library (September 2023): Library Statistics

Thursday, September 7, 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Join us this month to learn about several resources to help you use statistics to evaluate your library's services, including the Annual Survey, the Big Stats Book, and Bibliostat.

[More Information & Registration](#)

**Library for the Blind (September 2023):
BARD and Being a Demonstration Site**



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Thursday, September 14, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

This webinar will provide Information about the Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) service provided by the National Library Service for the Blind and Print Disabled (NLS). It will include information on how libraries can become a demonstration site to assist their library patrons in registering for and using BARD.

[More Information & Registration](#)

Additional Upcoming Events

Lunch with the State Library (August 2023): Brainfuse

Thursday, August 3, 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Join us this month to learn about three great Brainfuse products available to you and your patrons: JobNow, VetNow, and HelpNow.

[More Information & Registration](#)



Pop YS Live (August 2023): Baby Bounce Basics

Wednesday, August 9, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Even our smallest library patrons deserve quality programming! This session will teach the nuts and bolts of library programming for babies. We'll go over the basics for those who might be new to baby programming, but will also help reenergize veterans.

[More Information & Registration](#)



Library for the Blind (August 2023): Accessible STEM

Thursday, August 10, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

This webinar will provide information and examples of accessible youth programming, including story time, crafts and activities for youth and families. We'll also feature accessible STEM Scale-Up programs from the Iowa Governor's STEM Advisory Council.

[More Information & Registration](#)



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Collection Cultivation Series

Tuesdays in August, 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

- Part 1 (Today! August 1): Weeding Basics
- Part 2 (August 15): Data-Driven Weeding
- Part 3 (August 22): Weeding the Youth Collection
- Part 4 (August 29): Wedded to Weeding (Practitioner Panel)

If you're eyeing a weeding project (or two!) this series is for you. Libraries of all sizes struggle with this area of collection maintenance, and there's sure to be something for everyone. Attend one or all of the sessions -- each will be recorded.

[More Information & Registration](#)



Big Ideas Book Discussion (August 2023) | Magic Words: What to Say to Get Your Way

Friday, August 25, 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Our next Big Ideas Book Discussion title is "Magic Words: What to Say to Get Your Way" (c2023) by Jonah Berger. "Magic Words" demonstrates how 6 types of words can boost creativity, motivate teams, and strengthen our powers of persuasion. Libraries are under more pressure than ever to communicate well! In this discussion, we'll chat about ways to increase library impact through the power of words. These "magic words" can shift community perception, motivate staff, and drive engagement!



[More Information & Registration](#)

Check it Out (August 2023)

Tuesday, August 29, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. *(NOTE TIME CHANGE!)*

Check it Out! is a monthly webinar series from the State Library of Iowa spotlighting the best new books for ages 0-18. Youth Services Consultant Janeé Jackson-Doering will share collection development tips, programming ideas, and of course, new titles galore for kids and teens. This is a fun, fast-paced session that will fill both your library shelves and your TBR list!



[More Information & Registration](#)

Webinar Archive



View in IA Learns to access the evaluation & see the CE Hours on your transcript. Watch the whole recording, click next in the upper-right, and follow the prompts to get to the evaluation. Remember to type something in every field before hitting "Save."

[IA Learns Login](#)

If you don't track CE hours, or only want to view for informational purposes, you can also view recorded webinars on the State Library of Iowa CE Team YouTube Channel. Subscribe for alerts when new content is added!

[State Library CE YouTube Channel](#)

External CE Training Opportunities



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The Wyoming State Library maintains a great list of CE events going on around the country. It's a good place to browse if you're looking for hours, or something on a specific topic. Our thanks to our colleagues in Wyoming for compiling this list. Please note, all times listed are in Mountain Time.

[Wyoming State Library Training Calendar](#)

Watch a course from that list or another CE training offered by someone other than the State Library of Iowa? Please complete the "Request for External CE Form" within 45 days of participating in the training.

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