



February 16, 2024

## News from the CE Team



### ILOC Webinar Archive Posted

Thanks to some hard work from the State Library team (for which I can claim very little credit), I'm pleased to report the full roster of ILOC sessions is now available to view in the webinar archive!

View on IA Learns for credit (simply search for "ILOC 2024"), or [on our YouTube channel](#) for informational purposes. All sessions are cross-posted, with the exception of Jay Turner's morning keynote address, which for contractual reasons is only on IA Learns.

My thanks to the team for their hard work in getting these recordings out! Reach out with any questions or issues ([LibContEd@iowa.gov](mailto:LibContEd@iowa.gov)).

Best Regards,  
Sam Bowers, CE Consultant

[View the ILOC Archive IA Learns](#)

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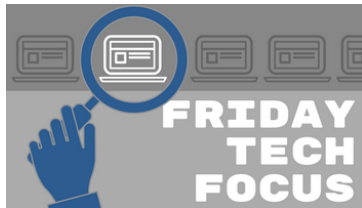
## Newly-Added Events

### Lunch with the State Library (March 2024): Specialized Consulting

Thursday, March 14, 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Join Mandy Easter (Law Librarian), Janeé Jackson-Doering (Youth Services), and Tom Keyser (IHDC) to learn more about how they support libraries! We'll also hear from Scott Dermont (Enrich Iowa) and Sam Bowers (Continuing Ed & Endorsement). Join us in this whirlwind tour of the State Library's specialized consulting support.

[More Information & Registration](#)



### Friday Tech Focus (March 2024): Habitica

Friday, March 22, 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Habitica has been called "the perfect task management app for people who love games." Yes, you get to check things off your list, but Habitica claims to "gamify" your to-do list to help you build good habits and break bad ones.

Maybe this is the self-care tool you or your patrons need for the summer's "Read, Renew, Repeat" theme!

[More Information & Registration](#)



### Lunch with the State Library (April 2024): Bridges

Thursday, March 18, 12:15 p.m. - 12:45 p.m.

This month's Lunch with the State Library will highlight our eLibrary consortium: Bridges. Not yet a member? The deadline for new libraries to join Bridges in 2024 is March 29, but this webinar will explain the new member process to those who might be curious for 2025 and beyond! If you're already part of Bridges, you'll learn more about how titles are selected, how the program is funded, and how to promote Bridges to your library users.

[More Information & Registration](#)

## Additional Upcoming Events



### All Iowa Reads 2024: Exploring the Shortlist

Tuesday, February 20, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

This webinar will introduce you to the 2024 All Iowa Reads shortlists for Adults, Teens, & Kids. You'll hear booktalks and read-alike selections for the shortlisted books on all three lists.

[More Information & Registration](#)

### Check it Out! (February 2024)

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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, the best books to use for storytimes, 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](#)



## Pop YS Live (March 2024): Deaf Children and the Library

**Wednesday, Mar. 13, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

Join us in March for this special edition of Pop YS Live presented by Teacher Librarian Kate Kasal of the Iowa School for the Deaf. Kate will share best practices for reading with young Deaf children, how to help Deaf children interact with books, how to make the print accessible, and other helpful advice. She'll also share

resources that support American Sign Language (ASL) reading and other ASL resources.

[More Information & Registration](#)



## Buy (Better) Books: A Collection Development Primer

**Tuesdays in March, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Buy (Better) Books is a four-part series from the State Library of Iowa designed to help you improve your collection development skills. We'll dig into best practices for purchasing for all parts of your adult collection and promoting your awesome finds. We'll also hear tips and tricks from front-line, in-practice collection development professionals. Come to one part or all! Each will be recorded.

[Part 1 \(March 5\): Purchasing Fiction](#)

- [Part 2 \(March 12\): Purchasing Nonfiction](#)
- [Part 3 \(March 19\): Promoting Your Collection](#)
- [Part 4 \(March 26\): Practitioner Panel](#)



## Pop YS Con 2024 (In Person Conference)

**Monday & Tuesday, April 8-9, Gateway Hotel & Conference Center, Ames**

Pop YS Con is a two-day, biennial conference all about all things youth services. Join us for award-winning keynote speakers, breakout sessions from in-practice librarians, networking with librarians from all across Iowa, and meeting vendors, nonprofits, and government organizations that support your library work, all while you earn Continuing Education credit.

[More Information & Registration](#)



## Summer Reading Summit

**Wednesday, April 10, Ames Public Library**

With Summer fast approaching, it's time to put the finishing touches on your plans for Summer Library Programming! The Summer Reading Summit is designed to help you do just that. We'll talk about how to take care of yourself during this busy season, how to connect with patrons on the issues important to them (particularly

teens), and best practices for programming for all ages not only in the summer, but all year round!

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## New Kernels

Kernels is an ongoing series of prerecorded videos from the State Library. Each installment in the series offers an overview of a program, service, or library methodology applied in a public library setting. They feature in practice librarians talking about what they're up to, so others can benefit & apply that idea in their library.

View on YouTube for informational purposes or in IA Learns for CE credit.

### Kernels! Bluey Party

Join Janeé Jackson-Doering (State Library of Iowa) and Emery Bunkers (Kling Memorial Library, Grundy Center) as they chat about the recent Bluey party that Emery planned.

- [View the Bluey Party Kernel](#)

[View All Kernels](#)

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## 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](#)

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## External CE Training Opportunities

The Maine State Library maintains a 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 Maine for compiling this list. Please confirm time zone when registering for an event



## Nationwide CE 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.

## Request for External CE Credit

**As of January 1, 2024, hours earned through WebJunction will be automatically applied to your IA Learns account.** You can expect to see hours on your account on or near the 1st day of the following month. The completion date of your coursework in IA Learns will match your WebJunction certificate.

You do not need to fill out the Request for External CE Credit form for WebJunction content for any course. It will simply be added to your IA Learns transcript!



## Browse the WebJunction Course Catalog

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