



July 12, 2024

News from the CE Team



IA Learns transitioning to a new system in August

The State Library has some big learning-related news to share. Starting next month, everything you used to do in IA Learns will be done in a new platform, called Workday Learning. We've been working behind the scenes to prep for the transition and we think you'll appreciate the cleaner look and easier user experience of the new system.

Right now, you do not need to take any action. If you currently have an IA Learns account, one will be created for you in Workday Learning and instructions to log in will be sent in early August.

If you wish, you can review your current enrollments in IA Learns and cancel any enrollments you do not wish to see transferred to the new system. If you're part way through any courses, you may want to finish them up by July 31. Your enrollment in that course will be transferred to the new system, but we won't be able to track anything you've partially viewed.

We're sure you'll have some questions, so feel free to review the FAQ page linked below and send us an email (LibContEd@iowa.gov) if you don't see your question answered there.

We'll have more details to share in the coming weeks, so stay tuned!

Stay cool,
Sam Bouwers | CE Consultant

[IA Learns Transition FAQs](#)

Newly-Added Events

Pop YS Live (August 2024): Shake Up Your Storytimes
Wednesday, Aug. 21, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Are your storytimes stuck in the same routine? Do you want to make your storytimes more engaging for kids and caregivers alike? Join us for another exciting Pop YS Live! This fun session will cover the best practices for engaging families and kids during and after storytime. We'll also share why integrating early literacy and school readiness activities benefits young children and resources to make your storytime planning a success!



[More Information & Registration](#)

Check it Out! (August 2024)

Tuesday, Aug. 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!



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Additional Upcoming Events

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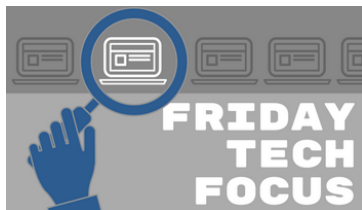
Tuesday, Jul. 23, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

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Friday Tech Focus (July 2024): Zotero

Friday, Jul. 26, 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

While it's by no means new, the software billed as "Your Personal Research Assistant" always has new features coming up. Zotero is a free application that allows you to collect, manage, and cite research sources. It's easy to use, connects to your web browser to download sources, and integrates with your word processor

to insert citations and references. Eunice will take us on a spin through this oldie-but-a-goodie piece of tech to see how we can use it in our libraries today!



Friending the Public Library: How Friends and Foundations Invest in the Library's Future

Wednesday, Aug. 7, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

“Friends Groups” are an ideal way to develop a close-knit community of library advocates. But how do you get this group of potential advocates together, and what if the group proves to be less than friendly? Should your library have a

Friends Group or a Foundation - or both? Learn the answers to these and other questions as the instructors provide information about how to start a group and keep it going. We'll also answer some common legal questions about these types of groups. Lastly, we'll showcase some successful and interesting examples of how libraries have developed and maintained their own Friends and Foundations. *This is a refresh of a webinar originally presented in 2017.*

More Information & Registration

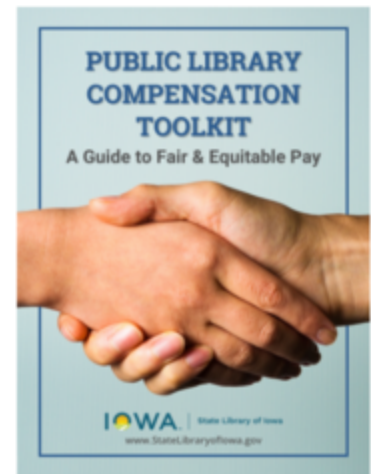
Introducing the Public Library Compensation Toolkit

For Directors: Thursday, Aug. 8, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

For Boards: Thursday, Aug. 22, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

There's a new resource from the State Library of Iowa: The Public Library Compensation Toolkit. Intended for directors and boards, this toolkit is a resource to understand the value library employees provide to the community and establish a basis for determining the fair market value of staff positions. **Board members and directors alike are welcome attend either training session; each will be recorded. Registration Links:**

- [For Directors: August 8](#)
- [For Boards: Aug. 22](#)



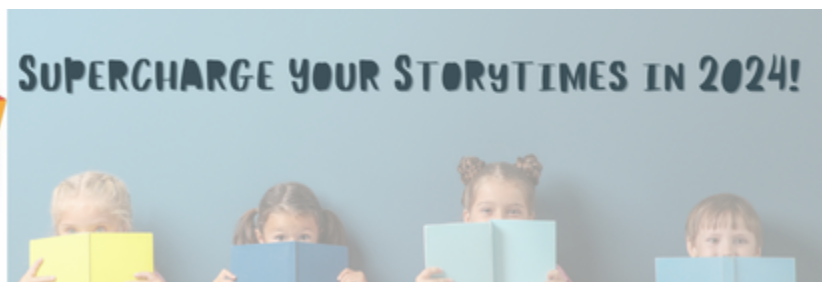
Reliable Records Retention

Wednesday, Aug. 28, 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

A little paperwork adds up quickly over a few years, and perhaps you're wondering where you're going to store yet another year's worth of documentation. What DO you need to keep, and for how long must you save it? Learn “reliable records

retention” information from Mandy Easter of the State Law Library. *This is a refresh of a webinar originally presented in 2015.*

More Information & Registration



Join the Supercharged Storytimes Cohort

Storytimes are a key part of so many early literacy initiatives in libraries, and yet it can be difficult to know if you're doing it "right." [Supercharged Storytimes](#) for All is a curriculum from WebJunction designed to "provide training in how to intentionally apply research-based practices to boost early literacy in young children attending library storytime."

Applications close Wednesday, August 21 at 4:30 p.m. Selected candidates will be notified Friday, August 23.

We hope you'll consider joining us as we Supercharge storytimes around the state!

[More Information & Application](#)

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



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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