News from the CE Team

Another Learning Circuit in the Books!

Thank you to the more than 200 librarians around the state who attended a Learning Circuit event last Thursday. Overwhelmingly, attendees' responses to the evaluation are very positive! And, as far as I know, no one is still locked in their misinformation escape room... Here are a few comments from the evaluations:

- *"Personally I was leery of using AI. I am now a bit more comfortable after listing to Phillip and hope to experiment with ChatGPT!"*

- *"I just signed up for ChatGPT this morning. I used it to find a picture I could use for a Halloween book display. It gave me something I could use. Lot less time than trying to make something or searching for something. I will use it again."*

- *"This training will be so helpful in not only teaching patrons what is out there, but in what we as librarians can use, and what to pay attention to regarding application of GenAI programs and moral/ethical standards."*

If you weren't able to join us, I hope you'll consider coming to next year's Learning Circuit! For now, enjoy a small photo album of some highlights from the locations around the state.

Learning Circuit Photo Highlights

2024 Space Planning Workshops Registration Closes Monday!

October 21 in Milford | October 22 in Altoona | October 23 in Coralville
All locations: 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Join NYU professor David Vinjamuri (author of *Library Space Planning: A PLA Guide*), architect Joe Huberty (co-author of *The Practical Handbook of Library Architecture*), and Iowa Librarian Zach Row-Heyveld (Assistant Director at the Decorah Public Library) to learn how to maximize your library space so it serves you better, even on a limited budget.

This will be a hands-on workshop: please bring a floorplan of your space to use during exercises. The workshop has several essential parts:

- **Understanding Needs:** How to know patrons' needs; ideas of how to partner with municipalities and community service organizations to make this easier

- **Collection Strategy:** Create a collection that has breadth and diversity, but still leaves more room for patrons

- **Merchandising and Optimizing:** Increase circulation with better merchandising of collection materials

- **Case Study:** Learn how the Decorah Public Library achieved a 40% increase in adult collection circulation without renovating

- **Analytics for Reorganizing Space:** Ideas of how to analyze your space and make it work to better meet library and patron needs

- **5 Secrets for Maintaining Your Library:** How to maximize the life of your library building and reduce maintenance costs

The cost for registration is $20 and includes a buffet lunch. Register by October 7!

[**More Information & Registration**]

Save the Dates for Upcoming CE Events!

The next couple of weeks should bring the official launch of Workday Learning. There are a lot of moving pieces, and I'm very grateful to everyone who is making it work. We'll soon be in touch with instructions on how to activate your new Workday Learning account.

For now, we do have some CE Events coming up in October we want you to save the dates for, and get ready to register once Workday Learning launches:

- **Check it Out! (October 2024):** Tuesday, October 29 | 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

- **Library Horizons: What's new from ARSL 2024?:** Tuesday, October 29 | 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

- **Pop YS Live (October 2024): iREAD Summer 2025 Preview:** Wednesday, October 30 | 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

- **Welcoming Digital Spaces: How to Ensure Your Web Presence is Accessible to All:** Thursday, October 31 | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

- **Pop YS Live (November 2024) | Science of Reading: What it is and How Librarians Can Use it to Help Young Children:** Wednesday, November 12 | 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

We'll continue to do our best to keep the transition FAQ page up-to-date! And of course, email LibContEd@Iowa.gov with your questions.

IA Learns Transition Information

External CE Training Opportunities

During the transition into Workday Learning you are still welcome to view external CE and submit your hours. You will see hours reflected on your Workday Learning account after the system launches.

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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