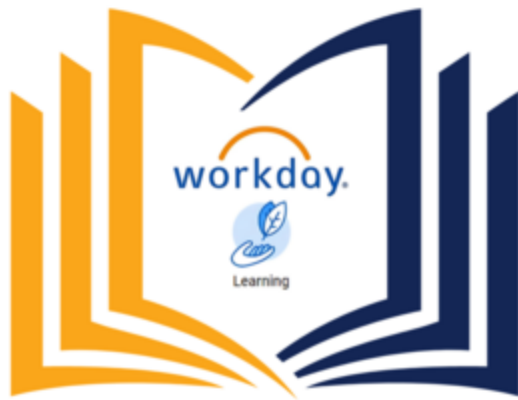




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Workday Updates



New suite of reminders rolling out

One of the speedbumps on the road to implementing Workday Learning has been tailoring reminders so they are functional for our librarian users.

Thanks to help from the technical team, we've been able to set up reminders for course registration and enrollments, and to remind users to complete their evaluations after a class wraps up.

It's State Library policy that evaluations be completed within 30 days of a class. Typically, you'll access

Evaluations as separate "Lessons" within Workday Learning on each course.

If you see anything amiss with the notifications you're receiving, or if you have any other questions about Workday Learning, feel free to email LibContEd@iowa.gov and we'll do our best to lend a hand.

[Log in to Workday Learning](#)

PS - We're halfway through the STEM Fairs & Summer Reading Summits! I was able to attend events in Johnston & Avoca and had SO much fun. Three opportunities remain: if you're not registered, get signed up! They are time well-spent, and I think you'll have a blast (and get some great free/low-cost programming ideas for summer and beyond!). Registration info below.

--Sam Bouwers | CE Consultant

Upcoming Events



STEM Fairs

In-person, around the state, throughout March

This half-day, in-person workshop is designed to familiarize you with local resources to expand your library's STEM offerings and give you an opportunity to steal (ahem, borrow) ideas from colleagues in your district.

- **March 24:** Oelwein Public Library (Northeast District)
- **March 27:** Algona Public Library (North Central District)
- **March 31:** Rockwell City Public Library (Northwest District)

[More Information & Registration](#)

Summer Reading Summits

In-person, around the state, throughout March

The State Library Summer Reading Summits are designed to help you put the finishing touches on your plans for Summer Library Programming. We'll talk about the importance of summer learning for kids and teens, best practices for summer programming, and have plenty of time to network and hear from each other.

- **March 25:** Oelwein Public Library (Northeast District)
- **March 28:** Algona Public Library (North Central District)
- **April 1:** Rockwell City Public Library (Northwest District)



[More Information & Registration](#)



Pop YS Live (April 2025): | Volunteens: Making the Most of Teen Engagement at your Library

Wednesday, Apr. 9, 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Providing local teens with volunteer opportunities in the library can be a lot of work, but it can also be very rewarding for both you and for the "Volunteens." If you're thinking about starting a teen volunteer program (for summer reading or beyond), Janeé will have some great tips to help you launch or revitalize your engagement efforts.

[More Information & Registration](#)



Check it Out (April 2025)

Tuesday, Apr. 22, 11:00 a.m. to 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](#)



Level Up Your Summer Reading Book Lists for All Ages

Thursday, Apr. 24, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Join Janeé and Sam for a romp through one of the best-kept secrets of the iREAD Resource Guide... The Bibliographies! We'll do a little book talking for all ages, a little brainstorming of display ideas, and a lot of nerding out.

[More Information & Registration](#)

New Kernels

Kernels is an ongoing series of prerecorded videos from the State Library of Iowa. 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.

Kernels! Puzzle Competition Fundraisers

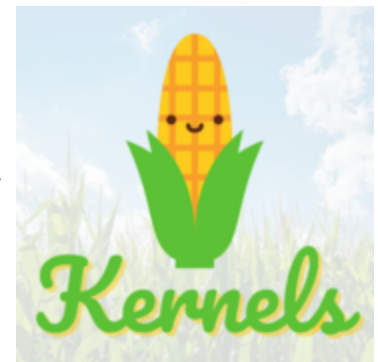
Join Sam Bouwers (State Library of Iowa), Jamie Noack (Polk City), and Kathy Van Maanen (Huxley) as they chat about those libraries' successful efforts to raise fund through regular puzzle competition fundraisers.

- [View the Puzzle Competition Fundraisers Kernel](#)

Kernels! "Unusual" Library Services

This special Kernel features three libraries chatting with Sam Bouwers about the rather unusual services they offer to their communities (and bring in a little funding along the way). Jefferson Public Library (Jane Millard) Kodak Printing Kiosk, Polk City Public Library (Jamie Noack): Passport Acceptance Facility, Lakin Library & Envisioning Center, Tabor (Dawn Miller): UPS Drop-Off Point

- [View the "Unusual" Services Kernel](#)



[View all Kernels](#)

Webinar Archive: Two Ways to View



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[Workday Learning Login](#)

To Audit: YouTube

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!](#)



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](#)

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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](#)

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