Iowa Library for the Blind and Print Disabled

October 2024

Library and Instructional Materials Center (IMC) Highlights

The Library and Instructional Materials Center provides Accessible Educational Materials (AEM) to students throughout Iowa. These materials include consumable items, like worksheets and teacher-created resources, and non-consumable items, such as textbooks, workbooks, and literary books that have an ISBN. AEM orders are fulfilled by using items directly from our extensive library collection or through accurate transcription, ensuring each student's needs are met.

Projects Completed in October

17 Consumable and 56 Non-Consumable for a total of 73 Projects

- 58 projects were needed in Braille = 186 volumes, 2,035 tactile pages and 9,843 braille pages
- 10 projects were needed in Large Print = 17 volumes, 2,621 large print pages
- 5 projects were needed in Print-Braille
- These projects were delivered with a 97% timeliness rate

Of the 73 total projects, 56 were checked out from the library collection to students **saving schools \$34,727.00**

Projects in Production in October

20,288 total print pages in production

The IMC Transcription Network consists of 2 Braille contractors, 3 Braille volunteers, 4 in-house certified braillists, and 26 vendors

Current Schools Working with the Library and IMC

- 57 Memorandums of Understanding with the Iowa Department for the Blind received from Schools
 - 42 Students requiring Braille and 44 Students requiring Large Print

32 Schools participating in the Book Bundles Program in October received 332 books in alternative formats from the library

Highlights

Over 500 early readers and other youth titles were added to the library collection in braille, electronic braille, print/braille and large print formats

