

# Centennial State Libraries

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## Technology Resources Changes Web Address

The Colorado State Library-Technology Resources Page has a new home at: [Colorado State Library: Technology Resources](#). Please change your bookmarks. Other valuable sites:

- [Technology Planning Resources](#) (including templates you can download for completing your technology plan)
- Link to the [Library Automation Toolkit](#)
- [Technology related list serves](#)
- [E-rate Resources](#)
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## Children's Books in Spanish and with a Latino Viewpoint

The Barahona Center for the Study of Books in Spanish for Children and Adolescents is an ongoing source of information. It can be viewed in English or Spanish. Visit the [Barahona Center](#) web site to get more information.

## **E-Learning and ETIL Become Education Priority**

The State Board of Education is discussing a new initiative on e-learning (formerly known as distance learning) and Educational Technology and Information Literacy (ETIL). Nancy Bolt, assistant commissioner for libraries, and Eric Feder, director of telecommunications at CDE, prepared a presentation for a recent State Board of Education work-session. The presentation [Colorado Technology in PreK-12 Education](#) focused on definitions of ETIL and of a quality e-learning program, current issues and barriers to e-learning, and recommendations for action.

The State Board seems committed to including ETIL in the new accreditation rules and regulations. Commissioner Moloney has also designated ETIL as a priority for the Department of Education.

Eric Feder is leading the development of a new state technology plan. The State Library has assigned five staff members to work on various aspects of this planning effort, and the concepts of information literacy will be included. The State Library is pleased to be part of this effort.

## **21st Century Learner: Conference Sponsored by IMLS**

This fall - November 7 through 9, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the agency that administers federal grant programs for museums and libraries, will host a ground-breaking conference. Its purpose is to address the need for bold new models of integrated action among formal and informal educational institutions in meeting the demands and interests of 21st century learners (particularly community partnerships for life-long learning), and the particular potential for museums and libraries to inspire such action in their communities.

Building on an IMLS-sponsored roundtable that considered likely learning needs in this new century, and subsequent meetings around the country, the two-day conference will examine actual experiments in creating community partnerships for lifelong learning, as well as innovative ideas and resources. All who have an interest in, or experience with, such models of cooperation are welcome - from libraries, museums, colleges and other educational institutions, to representatives of the broadcast, technology, and research fields, and the funding and public policy sectors. Registration is free. For information, visit the [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#) web site.

## **State Grants for Libraries Funding Continued**

The State Grants for Libraries Act received an appropriation of \$2 million from the 2001 Colorado Legislature to provide funding for Year 2 of the state aid for libraries (2001-02). Any eligible school district, public library, or academic library may apply for this funding by completing the application form on the [State Library](#) web site. The

deadline for submitting the 2-page application is October 1, 2001. Last year nearly 300 libraries received support for educational resources through this new program.

## Reports for Last Year's State Grants Due

If yours was one of the 292 libraries that received funds in Year 1 of the State Grants for Libraries Act, a report on how those funds were spent must be sent to the Colorado State Library by the end of the year. If your library has spent all the Year 1 funds, library directors are encouraged to submit the required summary report NOW. We'd like the information to be able to respond to inquiries from citizens and officials about the success of the program. Report forms are available online at the [State Funding for Libraries](#) web site.

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