

Centennial State Libraries

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State Library notified of budget cuts in 2001-2002

Late the week of October 19, the State Library was informed that Colorado's economic situation required all state government programs to be reduced. While the official announcement seemed to exempt education, this turned out not be true. We took cuts along with everybody else.

For the year 2001-2002, the year we are now in, we were asked to take a 1% cut on our total budget. After some discussion, we decided it would be fairest to take this across the board so that all programs will be reduced by 1%. This includes all State Library operating programs (Talking Book Library, ACLIN, State Publications, Institutions, as well as operating and travel) and all distribution programs (Systems, Denver Public Library's Colorado Resource Center, Payment for Lending, and State Funding for Libraries). We have been told that they do not expect this will not impact the base of these programs in the future. That decision is not final yet.

We have also been told that they expect to take another 3% from next year's budget, FY 2002-2003. We are still in discussion with the CDE Budget Office and the Governor's Office to determine from where these cuts will come.

We hope to have an announcement by CLA.

- Nancy Bolt, Assistant Commissioner for Libraries

E-Rate trainings Throughout State Facilitate Process

If you are new to E-rate, or would just like a refresher, the Colorado State Library and

Department of Education will be offering E-rate training sessions at various locations in the state. Fill out your form 470 online and bring any questions you have regarding CIPA or the E-rate application process. If you cannot come to one of the training sessions, but would like assistance filling out your forms or you can contact one of the state E-rate coordinators.

Rose Nelson for libraries at: (303)-866-6946

Jan Wilder for schools at: (303)-866-6850

The following is the list of training locations. Note that Durango will be a video conference session.

- Monday, Nov 12 , Grand Valley High School (Parachute Colorado), 1:00-4:30pm
- Wednesday, Nov 14, Weld Library District/Lincoln Park Branch, 10:00-1pm
- Friday, Nov 16, Arkansas Valley Regional Library System 10:00-1:00pm
- Tuesday, Nov 20, Durango (Ft. Lewis College) Video Conference 12-3pm
(*two sites available for viewing--Colorado Department of Education and Ft. Lewis College)

For more information and to register for one of the sessions, go online [E-rate Training Sessions--Year 5 Updates, CIPA, and fill out Form 470 Online.](#)

Civil War Preservation Trust Announces Poster & Essay Contest

The Civil War Preservation Trust invites all students in grades 4-12 to compete in its annual poster and essay contest. Every year, the CWPT organizes a national event known as Park Day. The 2001/2002 Poster and Essay Contest theme is based on the 2002 motto for Park Day: "Our Past. Our Parks. Our Pride." There are five contests at three different skills levels: grades 4 to 6, grades 7 to 9, and grades 10 to 12.

Small cash prizes will be awarded along with other gifts and publication as appropriate. All entries must be postmarked by January 31, 2002. Winning entries become the property of the Civil War Preservation Trust. For information, visit the [Civil War Preservation Trust](#) online or call Jen Lind at 1-800-CW-TRUST ext. 207.

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