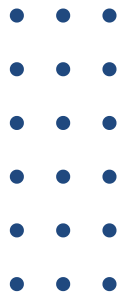




DIRECTOR'S REPORT

JANUARY 2026



Monthly Statistics

Circulation Check Outs by Material Type

	October	November	December
Books	973	846	829
Books on CD	45	27	25
DVD	81	56	14
Large Print	28	34	27
Magazines	14	31	13
Equipment	3	4	5
Music	2	2	4
TOTAL	1121	931	923

Circulation Check Outs by Age Group

	October	November	December
Adult	614	536	558
Juvenile	484	367	306
Young Adult	23	28	16
TOTAL	1121	931	923

Circulation by Item Report Class

Item Report Class	Checked In	Checked Out
000	0	3
100	5	4
200	8	10
300	17	20
400	2	3
500	7	5
600	19	19
700	17	13
800	6	6
900	40	37
Biography	0	0
Books on CD	34	24
Books on tape	2	1
DVD	23	14
Easy books	257	239
eBook	0	0
Fiction	338	303
Historical Society	0	0
ILL	38	36
J000	1	0
J100	1	0
J200	0	0
J300	7	5
J400	0	0
J500	13	7
J600	6	6
J700	10	12
J800	1	2
J900	12	4
JBIO	2	2
JFIC	73	64
JSS	3	1
JVID	0	0
Large print	37	27
Magazine	31	23
Maps	0	0
Microforms	0	0
Music	4	4
Spanish Aud	0	0
Spanish Easy books	1	0
Spanish Fic	0	1
Spanish J Fic	8	0
Spanish J Non	0	0
Spanish Non	1	0
Spanish Vid/DVD	0	0
Spanish YA	1	0
SS	7	5
Undefined	7	5
Video	0	0
YA Fic	29	16
YA Non	3	2
YA SS	0	0
Total	1071	923

Miscellaneous Statistics

	December
Computer users	201
Community Room Reservations	8
Website Pageviews	14,610
Door Counter	3997
New Library Cards	13

Program Statistics

	December
Children	77
Teen	59
Adult	5
Everyone	61
Total	202

January Programming

Children's Events

- Storytime & Craft *weekly*
- Stay N Play *weekly*

Teen Events

- Close Knit *monthly*
- Crafternoon *monthly*

Adult Events

- Book Club *monthly*
- Short Stories & Snacks *monthly*
- Close Knit *monthly*
- Meeker Heritage Club *monthly*
- Cookbook Potluck Club *monthly*
- Online Author Talk *monthly*



All Ages Events

- Winter Reading Challenge *annual*



Outreach Events

- Library at Lunch-Meeker High School *monthly*

Upcoming Events

- Recipe Swap *NEW quarterly program!*
- Craft Crazy with Erin *going monthly!*



Director's Report

Digital Resource Review: Scholastic Teachables

Scholastic Teachables is a database of educational resources including printable worksheets, lesson plans, and educational games designed for teachers, homeschoolers, and anyone looking for supplemental education tools. It has material for grades pre-K through 8th, and includes subjects like reading, math, science, STEM, life skills, and many more.



Library of Things Spotlight: Frog Anatomy Model

Our frog anatomy model comes with 23 pieces that can be taken apart and put back together. Cards with anatomy descriptions and definitions are included!



Happy New Year!

This month our very first Winter Reading Challenge kicked off! We have just under 100 people signed up, and we hope to see a great completion success rate. We have had great feedback and excitement on this new annual program.

The Radon mitigation is in it's final stages. Square One Radon came this month (National Radon Action Month!) and worked in the basement. Spaces in the walls were filled, and the open space leading to the crawlspace was covered. They installed a new fan that leads through the basement ceiling, through one of our storage rooms, and out the roof. They also filled in cracks in the cement floor that will keep radon from seeping through, however this is not a full repair to the floors as we still have the safety issue of it being uneven. We are in the process now of scheduling for a final testing to see if another fan is needed or if just once is sufficient.

Our hot water stopped working this month, after a visit from Kim's Plumbing it was determined to be the pilot light. We were informed our current water heater is a whopping 21 years old, and it was highly recommended that we get it replaced. I am communicating with them now on getting that done.

2H Mechanical came out last month to fix in the West unit a fuse after a noticeable loss of heat in the building.

Our Building Policy Annual Premium with State Farm will raise this year by \$1,099 due to an increase in claims costs. Our Wok-Comp policy is also higher this year due to a needed addition of a "janitor" minimum premium category to the policy, moving from an estimated \$400 per year to an estimated \$800.

Library staff are working hard on our now FOUR book display areas! January's displays include:

- Winter Reading
- New Year, New You
- Goodreads Choice Awards
- New Beginnings

Director,
Kristina Selby

Colorado Public Library Standards

Facilities & Infrastructure

Outcome

Library spaces, both physical and virtual, offer the community a compelling environment to explore, gather, learn, engage, and relax while ensuring equitable access to all.

Overview

Libraries serve as a hub for each community member or group to gain what they need, access with ease, and feel a sense of belonging. To achieve this, this Standard includes four checklist areas: General, Building Exterior, Building Interior, and Technology Infrastructure.

Library facilities and online spaces serve as havens, designed to address various needs and interests. Carefully planned design allows for a wide range of uses, including reading, studying, meeting, exploring, creating, and playing. The spaces also offer ways to strengthen community identity and social bonds. Library facilities can also be an anchor for economic development and neighborhood vitalization. Like the library building, the technology infrastructure is a key asset for delivering on the library's promise to serve as a community hub, information access point, and cultural center. Public library facilities are designed for ease of access to library services, including checking out and returning materials to ensure use for all members of the community.

At the same time, safety, and security are vital to maintain libraries and those working in and using them. Library staff, leadership, and governing authorities are proactive in maintaining facilities and technology to meet safety and security needs.

FACILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE ESSENTIALS FOR ALL PUBLIC LIBRARIES

GENERAL

- ❑ Meet required safety and fire codes.
- ❑ Ensure accessibility to all members of the community, conforming to the Americans with Disabilities Act and C.R.S. §§ 24-34-801 – 24-34-805 for buildings, grounds, and virtual spaces. Apply universal design principles to transform access for all.
- ❑ Develop policies and procedures for effective public use of facilities, including:
 - ❑ Public use of the library so that all may use and work at the library respectfully.
 - ❑ Library user privacy in accordance with the C.R.S. §§ 24-90-119.
 - ❑ Displays and meeting rooms use policies.
 - ❑ Technology access and use, including security and privacy procedures, content filters for public computers used by children (in compliance with the federal Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA) and Colorado’s Library Filtering law, C.R.S. §§24-90-601 to 24-90-606).
 - ❑ Guidelines, including schedules, for maintaining and improving building(s), grounds, technology infrastructure, and other infrastructure.
- ❑ Budget for sufficient maintenance and ongoing development of buildings, grounds, and technology infrastructure. See also: Budget and Finance Standard.
- ❑ Maintain a continuity of operations plan that provides guidance on response to staff transitions and emergency situations in the facility, with the network, and other disruptive circumstances.
 - ❑ Include a disaster-recovery plan associated with the facility and technology resources and infrastructure, including functions such as data archiving, recovery testing, and restoration of assets and services.
 - ❑ Ensure staff are apprised of protocols, such as in the case of data breach or ransomware attacks.

- ❑ See resources for a template Library Factbook for smaller libraries and other templates and guidance.
- ❑ Provide public emergency alerts in the languages of those who live in the community.
- ❑ Municipal, County, Other Libraries: Work with the local municipal, county, and other agencies to plan local emergency procedures.

BUILDING EXTERIOR & GROUNDS

- ❑ Install signs in the community that direct people to the library.
- ❑ Provide a well-lit exterior with signage that clearly identifies the building from the street.
- ❑ Prominently post hours of operation outside the library.
- ❑ Ensure sufficient, well-lit parking for library access. Include bike racks and other systems for parking various types of vehicles.
- ❑ Provide a convenient, safe book return location(s) during the hours the library is closed.
- ❑ Provide 24/7 Wi-Fi access for public access outside of library hours.

BUILDING INTERIOR

- ❑ Provide a flexible, well-designed interior that encourages self-directed as well as collaborative use of the library.
- ❑ Offer adequate space to fulfill the library's stated mission and goals. Examples of space needs include:
 - ❑ Storytime & early literacy
 - ❑ Study
 - ❑ Quiet areas
 - ❑ Public meeting
 - ❑ Programming
 - ❑ Displays
 - ❑ Materials access and use
 - ❑ Public computing or personal computer use
 - ❑ Arts, crafts, and other creative activities
- ❑ Establish separate areas for staff workspace(s), bathroom, and breaks with signage indicating that these are not public spaces. As needed, provide a private staff area for nursing and storage of breast milk.
- ❑ Maintain storage space for library collections, displays, programming materials, and equipment.
- ❑ Allow easy access to electrical and cabling outlets to support current technology.
- ❑ Provide non-gendered bathrooms when feasible and with remodeled and new construction as required by C.R.S. § 9-7.5-103.

TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE

- ❑ Provide access to current and emerging technology tools and applications, including a public telephone and dedicated wired and wireless Internet connections that support simultaneous use.
- ❑ Implement ongoing, adaptive, and overlapping security practices at the device, server, and network levels to ensure the system as well as data storage, transmission, and retrieval are secure. Security practices include a combination of firewalls, access-control lists, intrusion prevention, regular system security updates, and commercial antivirus/anti-malware software packages.
- ❑ Sustain and refresh technology infrastructure, including broadband, to support library operations and services, with a schedule for ongoing network and other technology assessments.
- ❑ Ensure that vital data is backed up with adequate frequency, based on the amount and type of data. Backups should be stored on removable media or cloud-based storage, and tested regularly to ensure they function properly for recovery or restoration.
- ❑ Ensure the technology plan addresses how technology integrates with and supports library operations, services, programs, collections facilities, and staff. The plan aligns with the library's overall strategic goals and mission, documents what technology is used, and includes ongoing staff development.
- ❑ Participate in E-Rate to gain a robust technology infrastructure with financial support. Collaborate with local schools, health, and other local anchor institutions to leverage E-Rate funds and other grants to build local and/or regional broadband infrastructure.