

Iowa Library for the Blind and Print Disabled

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Library and Instructional Materials Center (IMC) Highlights

The Library and Instructional Materials Center provide Accessible Educational Materials (AEM) to students throughout Iowa. These materials include consumable items, like worksheets and teacher-created resources, and online curriculum 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 January

4 Consumable and 33 Non-Consumable for a total of 37 Projects

- 34 projects were needed in Braille = 134 volumes, 1,335 tactile pages and 8,627 braille pages
- 3 projects were needed in Large Print = 4 volumes, 668 large print pages
- These projects were delivered with a 100% timeliness rate

Of the total projects, 33 were checked out from the library collection to students **saving schools \$10,534.14.**

Projects in Production in January

11,808 total print pages in production

The IMC Transcription Network consists of 6 Braille contractors, 3 Braille volunteers, 5 in-house certified braillists, and 29 vendors

Current Schools Working with the Library and IMC

73 Memorandums of Understanding with the Iowa Department for the Blind received from Schools

- 45 Students requiring Braille and 64 Students requiring Large Print

21 Schools participating in the Book Bundles Program in January received 157 books in alternative formats from the library – 36 schools registered

Highlights in January

Added to the Library Collection in Braille

- *CPO Earth Science* (26 volumes)
- *Portales: Introductory Spanish* (15 volumes)

Added to the Library Collection in Large Print

- *Romeo and Juliet* (1 volume)



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