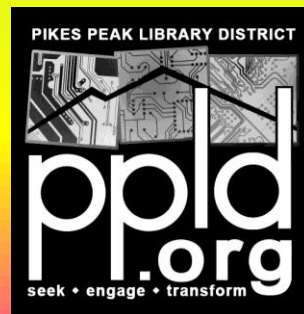


Helping Homeschoolers in the Public Library



What is Homeschooling?

Homeschooling is:

- a nonpublic home-based educational program
- provided by the child's parent or an adult relative designated by the parent
- not under the supervision and control of a school district
- not considered a private or nonprofit school

(Colorado Department of Education)

Colorado Homeschool Law



Families must file a notice of intent to homeschool from ages 7 to 16.

Children will be tested or evaluated in 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th grades.

Who Homeschools?

- Families who teach their children full-time
- Families whose children attend some classes at a public, charter or private school
- Families who choose online education



Why?

1.77 million

kids and teens homeschooled in the U. S.
(National Center for Education Statistics, 2012)

16,100

kids and teens homeschooled in Colorado
(Colorado Department of Education, 2015-
2016 school year)

2,500

homeschooled kids and teens participated in
PPLD's 2015 Summer Reading Program



Homeschooling families are often an overlooked part of the community. As a specialized population, homeschoolers may be hard to identify and connect with.

How?

Homeschool Committee



Homeschooled
6 children for
23 years



Was
Homeschooled
for grades K-12



Homeschooled
1 child for 13
years



Have a passion for working
with Homeschoolers

Used Curriculum Swap



Schedule late June
(after sales are over)

FREE!

No money
exchanged

All give-away

Resource Fair



Enrichment programs

Community resources

Support groups

Homeschool Tools



Library resources

Building tours

Children's activities

Special Presentations



“Homeschooling Methods: Understanding Your Options”

“Homeschooling Your Special Needs Child: You Can Do It!”

“Homeschooling 101”

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Welcome to Homeschool Hub! We're glad you stopped by. We hope you'll stay awhile and explore all that Homeschool Hub has to offer. While you're here, don't forget to sign up for our monthly "Homeschool Events" newsletter so you don't miss out on any of the great programs PPLD offers for kids, teens and adults.

If you have questions or comments about Homeschool Hub, or what PPLD offers homeschooling families, please [contact the Homeschool Committee](#).

What's New!

2016 Caldecott and Newbery Medal Winners

The results are in!

Newbery Medal

The Newbery Medal for "the most distinguished American children's book" of 2016 was awarded to *Last Stop on Market Street*, written by Matt de la Peña.

"The celebratory warmth is irresistible, offering a picture of community that resonates with harmony and diversity." - Booklist.

Caldecott Medal

Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear by Lindsay Mattick, is the 2016 Caldecott Medal winner.

"A perfect melding of beautiful art with soulful, imaginative writing, this lovely story, penned by Colebourn's great-great granddaughter, is ideal for sharing aloud or poring over individually." - School Library Journal.

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Electronic Newsletters

February 2016 Homeschool Science Lab Program

Reminder: The Homeschool Science Fair is happening this month. There is no regular Homeschool Science Lab Program.

We're excited to see what our 2016 participants have to present!



Homeschool Events

February 2016

Homeschool "Wild Things Animal Program"

Monday, February 29, 1 pm
Monument Library
1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr.
Monument, CO 80132



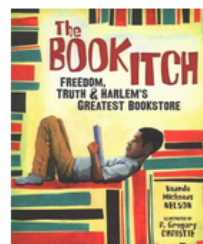
Come and meet the animals from the PPCC Zoo Keeping Technology program. Learn the differences between reptiles and mammals, why some reptiles make good pets and others do not, why tarantulas are actually very helpful for us, and what it takes to be a animal keeper. You'll also have the opportunity to hold a lizard, snake, or tarantula!

For more information, call 488-2370.

New Books, Cool Books!

February 2016

As a homeschooler all those years ago, we regularly raided the library for books that someone recommended, books on someone's reading list, and then we turned ourselves loose on the books that were waiting to be taken home and read. The books that made the BIGGEST impression on us as a family were almost always the books we discovered on our own. Give yourself permission to freely pick and choose, and see what treasures you find at your favorite library. - *Melody*



The Book Itch : Freedom, Truth & Harlem's Greatest Bookstore

by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson

This is the story of the National Memorial African Bookstore, founded in Harlem by Louis Michaux in 1939, as seen from the perspective of Louis Michaux Jr., who met famous men like Muhammad Ali and Malcolm X while helping out there. By the Coretta Scott King Award-winning author of *Almost to Freedom*.

This is a great picture book, carefully hidden in the non-fiction section of the library! - *Melody*

History, ages 6-10

Quarterly Publication



Winter Sports and Outdoor Fun

Since Colorado boasts beautiful blue skies, mild days, and clear nights, each season packs a plethora of activities families can enjoy. When cold winter days begin, children get excited for snowfall and the images of snow forts and sledding! Families may want to experience snow-filled mountain sports such as snowmobiling, tubing, ice skating, snowshoeing, and snowboarding. Dad, Mom, and children may experience old-fashioned ice skating in Boulder, Fort Collins, Evergreen, and Keystone. For an urban rink experience close to home, families may enjoy the Colorado Springs rink at Acacia Park. This rink is open November through January with a visit from Santa during the holidays.

While snow tubing and sledding may be found at most of Colorado's well-known ski resorts, children may throw on their hats and gloves right here in their backyards or nearby parks. Cottonwood Park near East Library and Woodmoor Hill near Monument Library are two of the most enjoyable neighborhood sledding spots. Winter sports and recreation do not need to cost a lot or take all day to enjoy. Cheyenne Mountain State Park just south of Colorado Springs is open year-round with 2,701 acres of open space, campgrounds, bike (snowshoeing) paths, and sledding. After families spend the morning outside, they may enjoy an afternoon together in "The Trail's End" visitor center near the stone fireplace.

If your family would like to venture into winter ice fishing, try Chatfield Reservoir, Eleven Mile Reservoir, or Monument Lake for a pleasant winter day. All these activities may be explored further at Colorado Parks and Wildlife: cpw.state.co.us.

For fun and information to share as a family, visit Pikes Peak Library District and check out these resources:

The Kid's Winter Handbook by Jane Drake and Ann Love
Peppa Pig and the Day at Snowy Mountain by Neville Astley and Mark Baker
Winter Eyes by Douglas Florian



To contact PPLD's Homeschool Committee, please email gsohns@ppld.org.

Resources and Materials



Special spine sticker or shelf location to set
homeschool books apart

Displays



Discovery Packs

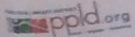
HOMESCHOOL DISCOVERY PACKS (FOR AGES 5-12)

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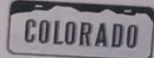


Castles and Knights

Knights and Castles: 50 Hands-On Activities to Experience the Middle Ages by
Avery Hart and Paul Mantell
The Renaissance by Tim Wood
Understanding People in the Past: The Renaissance by Mary Quigley
Medieval Knights by Jim Whiting
Life as a Knight: You Choose Books by Rachael Hanel
Life in the Middle Ages: The Merchant (DVD)



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Colorado to Read, Read Aloud Collected by Richard Knowles (activity guide)

A Colorado Alphabet C is for Centennial by Louise Doak Whitney

Colorado by Sarah Tieck (A Big Buddy Book)

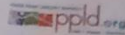
Uli MacDonald Likes to Hike: A Rocky Mountain National Park Kid's Sing-Along and
Hiking Guide by Jennifer Taylor Tormalehto

The Mesa Verde Cliff Dwellers: An Isabel Soto History Adventure by Terry Collins
(Historically Accurate Graphic Novel)

A Kid's Look at Colorado by Phyllis J. Perry

Discover more great COLORADO Resources at the PPLD Kids Web!

<http://more.ppld.org/8080/kids/Colorado/default.asp>



Debra B. Faulkner

HOMESCHOOL DISCOVERY PACK

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Measurement

Math
2+2=4
Fractions
Geometry
3x4=12

Add, Subtract, and Multiply then
Divide and conquer!

Find more Math Resources at the PPLD Kids Web!

<http://more.ppld.org/8080/kids/math/default.asp>

Need extra help with Math Homework? Click on Add Math at Your Library!

<http://ppld.org/whatsonourmath.htm> (for math lessons)



Family Programming



Educational activity or speaker

Families bring sack lunches

Use low cost community partners

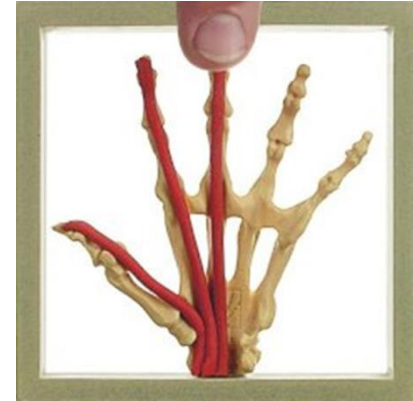


History Colorado: Moving Day





Monthly Science Programs



ANATOMY IN CLAY®
LEARNING SYSTEM

Volunteer planned and run

Multi-age programs
(sometimes divided by age)



LEGO MINDSTORMS

Science Fair



Open to all homeschoolers

No judging

Opportunity to talk about their projects

No prizes

Game Day

Simple games

Picnic

Time to socialize



Art Show



Open to all homeschoolers

No prizes

Reception for family & friends

Primary Source Workshop



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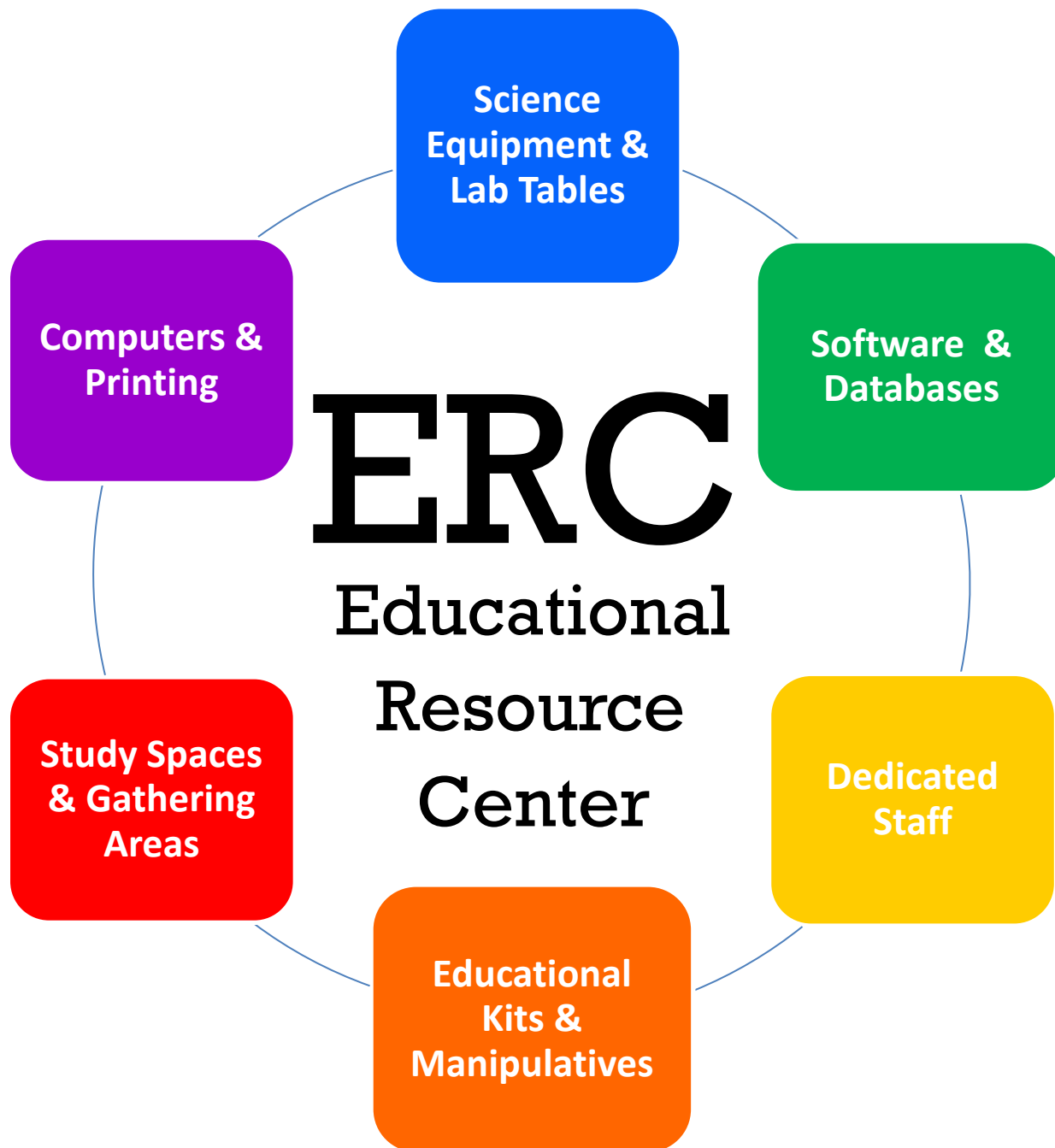
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they spend yearly on Homeschooling

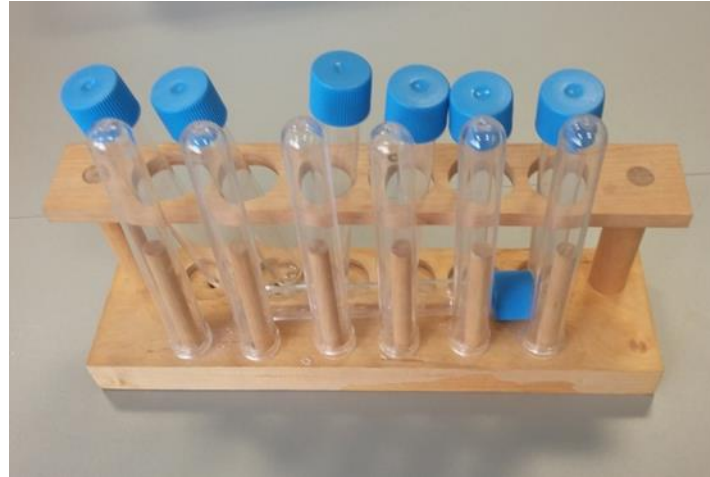




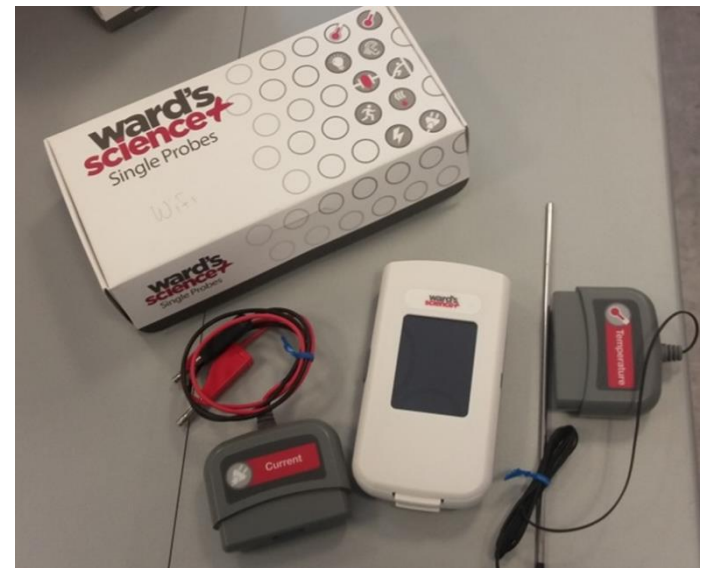
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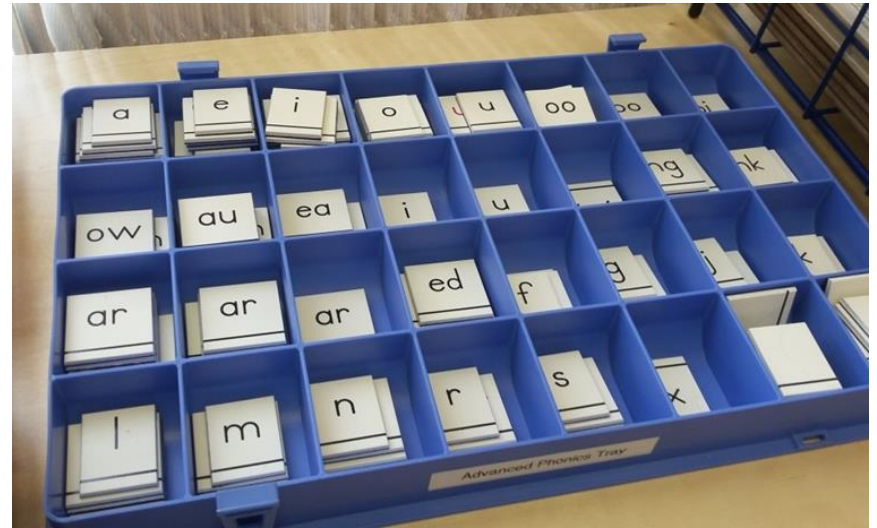
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**“I think the East Library does a
FANTASTIC job providing resources for
the homeschool community. Keep up the
great work!”**

“The library system in the city we just moved from did not actively seek out homeschoolers and even seemed a little resistant about providing resources. PPLD’s outreach to homeschoolers has been refreshing and encouraging. We are really enjoying and appreciating the resources available. Thank you!”

“Do it again, please!”

**Let's
Collaborate!**

Libraries Supporting Homeschoolers Wiki

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the 'Libraries Supporting Homeschoolers' wiki page. The browser's address bar shows the URL: [librariesandhomeschoolers.pbworks.com/w/page/47827048/Libraries Supporting Homeschoolers](http://librariesandhomeschoolers.pbworks.com/w/page/47827048/Libraries%20Supporting%20Homeschoolers). The page has a light blue header with navigation tabs: 'My PBworks', 'Workspaces', and 'librariesandhomeschoolers'. Below the header, there are tabs for 'Wiki', 'Pages & Files', 'Users', and 'Settings'. The main content area is titled '★ Libraries Supporting Homeschoolers' and includes a welcome message, a description of the wiki's purpose, and instructions for users. A sidebar on the right contains a 'Navigator' section with links to 'Starred Pages and Files', 'Getting Started', 'Libraries Supporting Homeschoolers', 'Library Resources', 'Member Libraries', and 'News'. The bottom of the page shows a Windows taskbar with various application icons and a system clock indicating 9:05 AM on 2/19/2016.

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Welcome to the "Libraries Supporting Homeschoolers" Wiki!

The purpose of this wiki is to provide collaborative work space for public library employees to share information and ideas about programming and services for homeschooling families in Colorado. Library employees in other states, who are interested in supporting homeschoolers, are always welcome to join us too!

This is a new project for us. We've tried to anticipate needs and questions, but realize we've most likely forgotten some things. Please let me know what you think and what you'd like to see added.

Once you join the wiki, your contact information will automatically be entered into the **Users** page. If you'd like to share your library's website, please add this information on the **Member Libraries** page.

This wiki will work best if we all contribute. Please share your ideas, successes and challenges so we can all learn from each other. Please feel free to contact me at any time!

Gail Sohns
gsohns@ppld.org

If you haven't previously worked with a wiki or with pbworks, check out the information below:

- [The PBworks Manual](#) can help show you how to edit, add videos and invite users.
- The best way to get your support questions answered is to [click the help link](#) at the top of this page. Our support gurus will get back to you asap.

Comments (1)

Gail Sohns said
at 10:54 pm on Feb 17, 2016
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I haven't updated you on the Educational Resource Center since before we opened this past October so thought it was about time. Our first day was an Open House to highlight all of the renovations in our building, the ERC being one of those. Over 200 people visited the ERC that day! The ERC is located on the 2nd floor of the East Library in Colorado Springs and is open. We have a little over 800 square feet that includes a carpeted "quiet" area with seating, three computers, bookshelf, staff desk, and early literacy toys for young siblings. The other half of the area has a hard floor (in case of spills), aluminum tables, stacking stools, four "cubbie" units each holding 30 kits in colored bins, and three locking cabinets holding the more expensive kits. We have math, language arts, science, social studies, art and music kits available for all ages of students. We also have preschool and early elementary literacy games, virtual

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Legal analysis of Colorado Homeschool Law
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