**One Book Colorado 2020**

**Postponement Press Release**

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**Press Release:**

After careful consideration of the COVID-19 situation, One Book Colorado has made the difficult decision to postpone the announcement and distribution of the 2020 book. This includes activities around the book’s launch that were planned between April 13-26 at *<insert your library name>.*

The safety and health of our state’s four-year-olds, their families, and everyone else involved in One Book Colorado is our top priority, and the best way to serve our communities is by postponing the book distribution and events.

Now in its ninth year, One Book Colorado allows all Colorado public and military libraries to provide every four-year-old with a free copy of the same book -- in English or Spanish. This popular program promotes early literacy skills, helps families serve as their child’s first and most important teachers, and fosters a culture of reading throughout our state. One Book Colorado is a statewide collaboration between Lt. Governor Dianne Primavera’s office, Serve Colorado, the Colorado State Library, Denver7, the Denver Preschool Program and Mile High United Way.

We will announce new distribution and activity dates as soon as we are able. Please visit [www.OneBookColorado.org](http://www.OneBookColorado.org) for the latest updates.

Meanwhile, be sure to check out *<list your library online activities for young children including links>*

*Many thanks for your understanding and support. If you have questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.*

*Hang in there,*

*Sharon Morris*