



Mondopads at Colorado Library Engage Patrons and Save Staff Resources

Library's devices enable in-room and off-site staff collaboration and double as digital signage and book catalog

Challenge

High Plains Library District's locations had differing needs for their meeting room spaces. Some needed video conferencing while others needed digital whiteboarding capabilities and digital signage. They needed to find something flexible and simple for the organization that filled everyone's needs.

Solution

The library district deployed seven Mondopads, with built-in video calling and digital whiteboard applications in seven libraries across Colorado.

Results

The flexibility of the Mondopads enable the district to use them in many ways and keep the library moving forward.



The new Mondopads at High Plains Library have been a popular attraction for patrons both young and old.

“Telepresence rooms from Polycom and Cisco cost around \$30,000 dollars per room and were not as flexible as Mondopad. Mondopad had a low entry point in terms of comparative cost.”

- Susan Staples
High Plains
Library District
Colorado

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The Challenge

When it came time for the High Plains Library District in Colorado to revisit its meeting room capabilities and offerings, the IT team found that each location's needs varied a bit. Enabling room-to-room video conferencing was of interest to help the branches easily come together for meetings. With staff members spread across seven libraries serving more than 4000 square miles, travelling to get everyone together was costly in time, money and productivity.

Some locations had the need for in-room interactive board technologies for note-taking and brainstorming while others were looking for digital display and media viewing solutions.

Each location had legitimate needs, but getting separate devices wouldn't fit in the budget.

The Solution

After researching various video conferencing and interactive board options the flexibility and mainstream setup and cost-effectiveness of the Mondopad caught their attention. They put seven Mondopads in the libraries and use the giant touchscreen PCs to fill a host of needs including the video calling and interactive boarding they sought.

The Results

According to HPLD IT manager Susan Staples, who helped make the decision to adopt the devices, the adaptability of the Mondopads enable the district to use them in many ways. She said, "Mondopad has offered a lot of flexibility both in the meeting rooms and on the library floor where we use it as signage, for games during events and as an interactive digital catalog."



HPLD Mondopads are used as large interactive displays that highlight new materials for the public to check out, displays for trainings, and even as part of Storytime. Mondopad's video calling has also saved time and travel costs and maintained face-to-face library staff meetings.

The Mondopads have also added needed meeting space because they can easily make any room a meeting room. In one instance, when all meeting space was occupied and IT needed to conduct a training for a large system implementation, a Mondopad was rolled into the break room and the training proceeded on schedule.

Staples also noted that Mondopad was easy to add to HPLD's existing network and manage remotely because it runs on the familiar Windows operating system. "It's a consistent, supportable, flexible device. Every day we're finding more uses for Mondopad," said Staples.

"With its video calling alone, Mondopad can save upwards of 24 hours of travel per person. But that's just the tip. Those who look at it as just a video conferencing tool or just a whiteboard are really limiting themselves because it is so flexible."

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