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Forest Service Makes Computers Available to Local School

Thanks to Computers for Learning (CFL), a unique federal program, Woodman Elementary at Lolo Creek has received over 35 surplus computers from local Forest service agencies. Woodman computer educator Louise Rhode, said that “the donated computers have enabled the school to connect a computer lab and their classrooms while saving approximately \$1200.00 per machine. This amounts to a total savings of close to \$45,000.00.”

CFL is a program designed to donate excess federal computer equipment to schools and educational nonprofit organizations, giving special consideration to those with the greatest need.

“With the help of a supportive school board and volunteers from Montana Technology Corps, Woodman Elementary now has the capability to open the school for adult education and also allow extra computer time for students,” Rhode said.

CFL creates the possibility for smaller schools with limited budgets to access today’s technology. The CFL website, www.computers.fed.gov, allows schools and educational nonprofit organizations to register and request surplus federal computer equipment.

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