

1. BadgerLink Advisory Group Call for Applicants

The BadgerLink team seeks applicants to participate in the BadgerLink Advisory Group. This group seeks to improve the ability of all Wisconsin residents to access and effectively use high-quality, licensed resources provided by BadgerLink, expand program visibility, and build stronger relationships between the program and stakeholders. By gathering the diverse opinions and expertise of Wisconsin's learner communities, the BadgerLink team will develop strategies to adapt and grow the program as needs evolve. Read more.

2. Recent Digital Lites

Teen Reader's Advisory Tools

Adult Smartphone Use in the U.S.

3. WISCAT Version 6 and User Group Meeting

In interlibrary loan news, WISCAT Version 6 will go live on August 12, 2019. Details on the migration can be found here and will also be covered in the next WISCAT User Group Meeting webinar on August 8 at 1 pm. Webinar login details will be provided in the coming weeks on the WISCAT/ILL Listserv. Documentation is being prepared to share out in the coming weeks to WISCAT users detailing the changes and updates.

4. Tape and ILL Items

SCLS Delivery has recently received comments from Wisconsin Libraries Delivery Network members regarding damage to interlibrary loan materials caused by tape used to attach routing labels. As summarized by Kathy Wolkoff, Outerlibrary Loan Department of Madison Public Library: We've been asked to remind everyone not to use tape (not even removable tape) on OLL items. This is specified in the ILL Code of the United States and the Wisconsin ILL Guidelines.

If you need to affix any routing labels or paperwork to the outside of an OLL item, we suggest taping the paper slip to one or more rubber bands rather than directly to the item itself. Lending libraries are within their rights to bill you for any damage that results from the use of tape on their materials. Please contact SCLS Delivery (delivery at sclsdelivery.info) if you have any questions about this notice.

5. PLSR Implementation Plans Presented to COLAND

On Friday, July 12, DPI staff John DeBacher and Ben Miller presented a draft implementation plan for carrying out recommendations included in the Public Library System Redesign Steering Committee Final

Report to the Council on Libraries and Network Development (COLAND). The plan includes a column with dates to indicate when work on individual recommendations will begin, and when subsequent activities to carry out the recommendations are anticipated. Read more.

6. ALA Denounces New Macmillan Library Lending Model

The American Library Association (ALA) denounces the new library ebook lending model announced today by Macmillan Publishers. Under the new model, a library may purchase one copy upon release of a new title in ebook format, after which the publisher will impose an eight-week embargo on additional copies of that title sold to libraries.

WiLS Project Manager Sara Gold said the change is complicated and convoluted. WPLC is talking with OverDrive and will share what is learned as soon as possible.