



### 1) Update on Delivery Sort Tags

Last week, several sort tags went out that said "WVLS." The ones that say "WVLS" do not have to be switched to say "Waltco." And if a tag still says "Waltco," it doesn't need to be switched to say "WVLS."

Eventually, all of the tags will say "WVLS." As of now, either tag still works and the bin will get to WVLS for sorting. Questions can be directed to [courier@wvls.org](mailto:courier@wvls.org).

### 2) New Digital Byte

In Part 2 of this Digital Byte (Analyzing Your Collection), Kristie discusses three tools that can be used to audit your library's children's collection, from a diversity standpoint. [Watch it here](#).

### 3) BadgerLink Resource Guides for Youth Services

BadgerLink has recently created two resource guides for librarians working in Youth Services - [Youth Services](#) and [Homework Help](#). On Tuesday, May 14, 12-12:30 p.m. BadgerLink trainer Jen Champoux will conduct a virtual training session. The session will highlight each guide and demonstrate ways to effectively use these resources at your library and share them with young library users.

The session will last for 20 minutes, followed by a Q&A session of 10 minutes. If you are unable to attend the session, the recording will be posted on the [BadgerLink training page](#). [Register for this webinar](#)

### 4) 2024 WLA Conference Call for Proposals Due This Friday

The 2024 WLA Annual Conference will take place November 5-8 at the KI Convention Center in Green Bay. This year's theme, "All In: Include and Innovate," highlights the importance of inclusivity and innovation in our profession. Visit the [conference webpage](#) for updates.

Be part of the 2024 Wisconsin Library Association (WLA) Annual Conference by submitting a proposal to present. Proposals are now being accepted for presentations, panels, and workshops. Experienced and first-time speakers from all libraries can submit a proposal. WLA members and non-members are encouraged to apply.

Submit your proposal using the [online form linked here](#) by 5 p.m. on Friday, May 17.

## 5) Call for Participation: PolarVR 2024

School or public librarians in rural communities throughout Wisconsin are currently being sought to develop and implement Virtual Reality (VR) experiences focused on polar research. Participants must be willing to engage with Latine audiences and promote library programming. No prior VR experience is required, and you will be supplied with the technology and training needed. Fellows will attend a one-day workshop on July 17 at UW-Madison and commit to implementing at least one Latine-focused VR experience at their library.

The deadline to [apply](#) is Wednesday, May 29. [More information is here.](#)

## 6) Upcoming Webinars

- [Introduction to Data Equity](#) – 2 p.m. on Monday, May 13
- [How to Get Buy-In For Your CX Efforts](#) – 3 p.m. on Monday, May 13
- [Conflict Management and De-escalation](#) – 1 p.m. on Monday, May 15
- [Supporting Healthy Communities: Public Library Responses to the Opioid Crisis](#) – 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 16

## 7) Unlocking Efficiency: The 2024 Programming and Activity Count Tracker

A critical component of the annual report is program and self-directed activity reporting. To make this process more efficient and hassle-free, WVLS encourages libraries to use the DPI tracker throughout the year. It is a powerful tool that simplifies the process of collecting program statistics, making it easier for you to fill out the library's annual report.

Download the tracker spreadsheet and dive into the training materials available on the [Wisconsin Public Library Annual Report web page](#). Contact Erica Brewster ([ebrewster@wvls.org](mailto:ebrewster@wvls.org)) or Kristie Hauer ([khauer@wvls.org](mailto:khauer@wvls.org)) with questions.