

Back to School Checklist 2025

Welcome back to a new school year! BadgerLink is Wisconsin's Online Library, providing students and educators with trusted content from licensed resources, made possible through state and federal funds.



Access to resources from the library and school network

The BadgerLink authentication system was refreshed over the summer, so it's important to double check automatic access. While at your library or school, test using this example link for Britannica School www.wiscat.net/ext/validateglobal.php?cid=stwi&lid=stwi&dataid=1238 or try any resource link on the BadgerLink website.

If you are prompted to log in, reach out and share your IP addresses with us at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/ip-reporting-form.

If you are directed to the resource home page, you are good to go!



Add direct links to resources to your website, newsletters, and promotional materials

Download the file of all the BadgerLink resources to add direct links to your own district materials to get students to resources with fewer clicks! Found on the For Library Staff page at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/library-staff under Getting Started section. Reach out at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/contact-us for assistance on adding resources to your own learning technology like ClassLink or Clever SSO.



Bookmark your favorite resources guides

Head to the For Library Staff page at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/library-staff and check out the BadgerLink resources guides on various topics and grade levels.



Check out the scavenger hunts

Also on the For Library Staff page at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/library-staff are scavenger hunts that can be used in the classroom for introducing students to BadgerLink resources like Britannica School and Explora.



Request posters and bookmarks

Share promotional materials with your students and educators throughout the year at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/get-word-out/request-bookmarks-and-posters.



Schedule personalized training and review asynchronous options

Request personalized training on BadgerLink resources at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/training/request-training and/or peruse asynchronous options on the BadgerLink training page at badgerlink.dpi.wi.gov/training.

