



## Procurement Collections

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From personal interest to educational research, BadgerLink is Wisconsin's Online Library, providing Wisconsin residents access to licensed trustworthy resources. The resources are designed to provide a foundational collection serving all Wisconsin residents, augmenting those available through K-12 schools, public libraries, public and private universities and technical colleges, medical and health-care facilities and practitioners, and state agencies.

BadgerLink is a service provided by the Department of Public Instruction and is designed to fulfill a portion of the statutory requirements of Wis Stat. 43.05 (11).

Because BadgerLink resources are purchased and licensed by a Wisconsin state agency, all Department of Administration procurement procedures and requirements apply to the process. The current Department of Administration Procurement Manual states that “the competitive bidding process is the preferred method for selecting suppliers and will be used in every case unless it is determined, and justified, that competitive bidding is not practical or in the state’s best interest.”

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) is not able to change or add resources or content providers in the middle of a contract or without an awarded Request for Bid (RFB) or Request for Proposal (RFP). DPI is also unable to purchase a specific resource by name as procurement guidelines require all potential content providers be given equal opportunity to respond to an RFB or RFP.

Based on the general selection principles as outlined in the [BadgerLink Collection Development Policy](#), procurement of resources is currently grouped into 13 broad “collections” or subject areas. Each collection is unique and awarded a single contract, and the number of resources procured is impacted by the current level of BadgerLink funding in the Wisconsin biennial budget.

A broad definition of each collection is provided below, along with the vendor and products awarded contracts in the most recent 2018 RFB & 2023 RFP. **The collection areas, their definitions, and requirements may evolve along with the needs of Wisconsin residents.**

## COLLECTION 1: EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES FOR K-12, POST-SECONDARY, AND LIFELONG LEARNERS

Magazines, journals, and reference materials covering, but not limited to: History, Science, Humanities, Mathematics, Literature, Computing and Information Technology, Education including Library and Information Science, and the Arts, as well as reader's advisory.

### EBSCO

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

- [Academic Search Premier](#)
- [Advanced Placement Source](#) (added in 2020 renewal)
- [Computers & Applied Sciences Complete](#) (added in 2020 renewal)
- Core Collection - [Children's Core Collection](#)
- Core Collection - [Middle & Junior High Core Collection](#)
- Core Collection - [Senior High Core Collection](#)
- [Education Research Complete](#)
- [Educational Administration Abstracts](#)
- [ERIC](#)
- [European Views of the Americas: 1493-1750](#)
- [Funk & Wagnalls New World Encyclopedia](#)
- [GreenFILE](#)
- [History Reference Center](#)
- [Humanities International Complete](#)
- [Library, Information Science and Technology Abstracts with Full Text](#)
- Literary Reference Center (upgraded to [Literary Reference Center Plus](#) in 2020 renewal)
- MAS Ultra - School Edition (upgraded to [MAS Complete](#) in 2020 renewal)
- [MasterFILE Complete](#)
- [Middle Search Plus](#)
- [Military and Government Collection](#)
- [Newspaper Source Plus](#)
- [NoveList](#)
- [NoveList K-8](#)
- [Poetry & Short Story Reference Center](#) (added in 2020 renewal)
- [Primary Search](#)
- [Professional Development Collection](#)
- [Science Reference Center](#)
- [Small Engine Repair Center](#) (added in 2020 renewal)
- [Teacher Reference Center](#)

## COLLECTION 2: NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED IN LARGE WISCONSIN & U.S. CITIES

Full-text coverage in eight (8) of the ten (10) largest U.S. cities, five (5) of the ten (10) of the largest Wisconsin cities as determined by the 2010 U.S. Census, and Wisconsin cities with populations of more than 10,000. Coverage should include at a minimum, the last five (5) years of content.

### ProQuest [U.S. Newsstream](#)

Awarded and contracted during the 2023 RFP; contracted for 2023-2025

- *Previous contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2023*

## COLLECTION 3: NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED IN SMALL WISCONSIN COMMUNITIES

Newspapers published daily and weekly since at least 2005, in Wisconsin communities with populations up to 10,000.

### Wisconsin Newspaper Association [Archive of Wisconsin Newspapers](#)

Awarded and contracted during the 2023 RFP; contracted for 2023-2025

- *Previous contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2023*

## COLLECTION 4: HISTORIC NEWSPAPERS

Newspapers from communities of all sizes, located in Wisconsin and nationwide published between 1850 and 2005.

### ProQuest [Newspapers.com Library Edition - World Collection](#)

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

*Request for Proposal in 2023 for this Collection was awarded but not contracted.*

## COLLECTION 5: MEDICINE, HEALTH (TRADITIONAL & ALTERNATIVE), AND ASSOCIATED HEALTH SCIENCES

Magazines, journals and reference materials covering subject areas including, but not limited to medicine, biomedicine, and prescription medications for all levels of learning.

### EBSCO

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

- [Alt HealthWatch](#)
- [Consumer Health Complete](#)
- [Health Source: Consumer Edition](#)
- [Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition](#)
- [MEDLINE](#)

## COLLECTION 6: GENEALOGY AND LOCAL HISTORY

Full-text including U.S. Federal Census records, family & local histories, city directories, Revolutionary War records, and the U.S. Serial Set.

### ProQuest [HeritageQuest Online](#)

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

## COLLECTION 7: ENCYCLOPEDIAS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH

Full-text and multimedia for all grade levels, including adult learners.

### Britannica Digital Learning

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

- [Britannica School](#)
- [Britannica Learning Zone \(re-named Britannica Fundamentals\)](#)
- [Escolar](#)
- [Moderna](#)
- [Britannica Library](#)
- [Merriam-Webster Unabridged](#)

## COLLECTION 8: JOB SKILLS AND TEST PREPARATION TRAINING

Practice tests and skill building resources, including eBooks and tutorials for academic, career, civil service, military and citizenship test preparation, and job skill building and job search preparation. Content serves adult education, workplace skills, college students, college preparation, GED/HSED, Spanish speakers and K-12 students.

**EBSCO** [LearningExpress Library](#)

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

## COLLECTION 9: MULTIMEDIA ON CHILDREN'S LITERATURE AND BOOKS

Instructional and multimedia content on K-12 fiction and non-fiction literature, including authors of literature.

**TeachingBooks** [TeachingBooks](#)

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

## COLLECTION 10: BUSINESS

Full-text magazines and journals, industry and market research reports, data and profiles, and news of U.S. and international companies, markets and industries.

**EBSCO**

Original contract period 2018-2020, renewed 2020-2022 and 2022-2024

- [Business Source Premier](#)
- [Regional Business News](#)

## COLLECTION 11: FULL-TEXT WORKS OF LITERATURE

Full-text poems, essays, speeches, and plays not currently available for free nor currently out of copyright.

*Not contracted in 2018*

## COLLECTION 12: LANGUAGE LEARNING RESOURCES

Language learning for at least twenty (20) languages, including English as a second language (ESL) modules, for use by all age groups.

*Not contracted in 2018*

## COLLECTION 13: AUTO REPAIR

Full-text service information, technical service bulletins and recalls, wiring diagrams, maintenance schedules, etc. for at least 30,000 domestic and foreign vehicles manufactured between 1955-present.

**EBSCO** [Auto Repair Source](#)

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