

Project Updates

For WPLC Steering Committee, September 2018

OverDrive

Libby Stats

Libby statistics for June and July [can be found here](#). The average response time is 20 hours. Are these statistics that the Committee would like the project managers to continue to gather?

Sora

Sora is the new app for schools who use OverDrive. Think of it as the school equivalent for Libby. Sora has a feature that allows students to enter their barcode for one or more public libraries and then search both their school and public library collections at the same time.

When students search their public library OverDrive collection through Sora, the search is limited to what content is available through the Kids and YA Reading Rooms. The Wisconsin Schools Digital Library Consortium (WSDLC - a consortium similar to WPLC but for schools who want to participate) is not yet widely encouraging the adoption of Sora, but individual schools may begin adopting Sora whenever they would like.

Once the WSDLC adopts Sora widely, and students begin to search the WPLC collection along with their school collection, the WPLC collection will get more exposure and use. This may have ramifications for children's and YA collection development.

BiblioBoard

Wisconsin Author Contest

The contest closed at the end of July with over 100 submissions. A WLA group is currently reviewing and will select a winner before the WLA Conference in October. At the Conference, there will be a session on the Wisconsin Author Project that will focus on the contest process and how to market to local authors the resources libraries have available from the WPLC. The winning author may be a part of the presentation as well. The winning author will be presented with their award at the WLA Awards and Honors Reception on Thursday evening.

New Popup Picks

The newest Popup Picks is now available until January 2019. This quarter's Popup Picks includes curated collections from Publishers Weekly, Library Partners Press, TidalWave Productions, ShoutMouse Press, and more.

The Popup Picks collection provides unlimited access to hand-curated, award-winning fiction, travel, humor, self-help, graphic novels and other ebooks and personal picks from leading expert curators.