

Resource Sharing Policy Exception for Appleton Public Library Opening Day Collection

In accordance with the OWLSnet Resource Sharing Policy, member libraries agree to lend all circulating materials to other OWLSnet libraries without restriction. However, the policy states that the Administrative Advisory Committee (AAC) may allow exceptions. Exceptions must be formally agreed upon at a meeting of the AAC.

The OWLSnet Administrative Advisory Committee agrees that an exception shall be authorized for a period of 6 months following the opening of Appleton Public Library's (APL) redesigned building anticipated in 2024.

The first standard practice states, "OWLSnet libraries shall share circulating materials freely with other network libraries." During the specified timeframe, APL may add items to an Opening Day Collection which will be incorporated into their existing Lucky Day collection. No holds may be placed on these items and check out will only be possible at APL. Ordering for the shared circulating and Lucky Day collections will continue during this time and existing rules and holds ratio thresholds for additional Lucky Day copies will be respected.

At the end of the 6-month period, this exception will expire, and APL will resume compliance with the Resource Sharing Policy. Material in the Opening Day collection at that time will be removed from the Lucky Day collection and evaluated for inclusion in the shared circulating collection or withdrawn.