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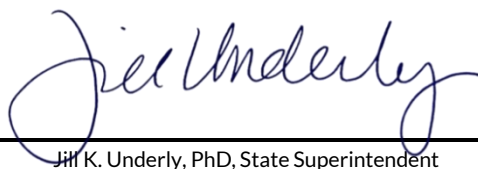
BY THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

National Library Week

- WHEREAS: The first National Library Week was observed in 1958 to encourage reading; and
- WHEREAS: The library has something for everyone spurring this year's theme, "Drawn to the Library!"; and
- WHEREAS: Libraries serve as a community hub for everyone to connect, learn new skills, and pursue their passions, no matter where they are on life's journey; and
- WHEREAS: Libraries provide free access to books, technology, multimedia content, workforce development, and educational programs; and
- WHEREAS: Libraries support the free exchange of information and ideas for all; and
- WHEREAS: Libraries work with schools, businesses, and organizations to maximize resources, increase efficiency, and broaden access to essential services, strengthening the entire community; and
- WHEREAS: Libraries, librarians, and library workers adapt to the ever-changing needs of their communities and play an invaluable role in developing and expanding collections, programs, and services; and
- WHEREAS: Libraries are treasured institutions that preserve our collective heritage and knowledge, safeguarding both physical and digital resources for present and future generations; and
- WHEREAS: Libraries nurture young minds through story time, play-based learning, STEAM programs, and literacy initiatives, creating a love for learning that lasts a lifetime;
- THEREFORE: I, Jill K. Underly, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, declare April 6-12, 2025, National Library Week and encourage Wisconsinites to visit their local library and celebrate what draws them to the library.

National Library Week proclaimed the week of April 6-12, 2025





Jill K. Underly, PhD, State Superintendent

