

Aspen Administration

Customizing Your Library's Catalog



Aspen Administration

What does an Aspen Administrator do?

- **Customize your catalog to match your library's branding.**
- **Create Browse Categories.**
- **Add Menu links.**
- **Update Library Hours.**
- **Add Holiday Closures.**
- **View Dashboards.**
- **Embed Collection Spotlights into your website.**
- **Create Placards to promote events and services!**
- **Use System Messages to communicate with patrons.**

....Or don't! It's literally up to you!

Aspen Administration "Housekeeping"

From The Aspen Administration Menu,

You have access to:

- **Aspen Discovery Support** (The Aspen Help Center)
- **Primary Configuration** (Edit Menu links, Hours, Holidays, and more!)
- **Local catalog Enrichment** (Edit Browse Categories, Collection Spotlights, Placards, and System Messages)
- **Theme & Layout** (Edit your catalogs theme)
- **Web Builder** (Create Web Pages, Custom Forms and Web Resources)
- **View Dashboards**

Aspen Discovery Administration

Search for a Setting

ASPEN DISCOVERY SUPPORT <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Help Center View the Help Center for Aspen Discovery.➤ Release Notes View release notes for Aspen Discovery which contain information about new functionality and fixes for each release.	HOOPLA <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Dashboard View the usage dashboard for Hoopla integration.
OPEN ARCHIVES <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Dashboard View the usage dashboard for Open Archives integration.	ILS INTEGRATION <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Dashboard View the usage dashboard for ILS integration.
OVERDRIVE/LIBBY <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Dashboard View the usage dashboard for OverDrive integration.	LOCAL CATALOG ENRICHMENT <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Browse Category Groups Configure the Browse Categories that are shown on the library home page.➤ Browse Categories Define browse categories shown on the library home page.➤ Collection Spotlights Define spotlights that can be embedded within Aspen custom pages or other websites.➤ Placards Placards allow you to promote services that do not have MARC records or APIs for inclusion in the catalog.➤ System Messages System Messages allow you to display messages to your patrons in specific locations.
PRIMARY CONFIGURATION <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Library Systems Configure library settings.➤ Locations Configure location settings.	THEME & LAYOUT <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Themes Define colors, fonts, images etc used within Aspen Discovery.
SIDE LOADS <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Dashboard View the usage dashboard for Side Loads integration.	

Note: Use the Search Bar to quickly find the menu you're looking for!

Aspen Administration "Housekeeping"

Administration Options
Search

> Aspen Discovery Support

> Hoopla

> ILS Integration

> Local Catalog Enrichment

> Open Archives

> OverDrive/Libby

▼ Primary Configuration

Library Systems
» Locations

> Side Loads

> System Reports

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Locations (Branches)

Sort by Display Name Ascending

> Filters

Select	Location Id	Display Name	Create Search Interface	Show In Select Interface (requires Create Search Interface)	Show Location on Donations page	Use Library Themes	Themes	Library	Actions
<input type="checkbox"/>	41	Ardsley Public Library	1	Not Set	1	Yes	1	5	Edit History

Select All Deselect All Batch Update Selected Batch Update All Export Selected to CSV Export to CSV

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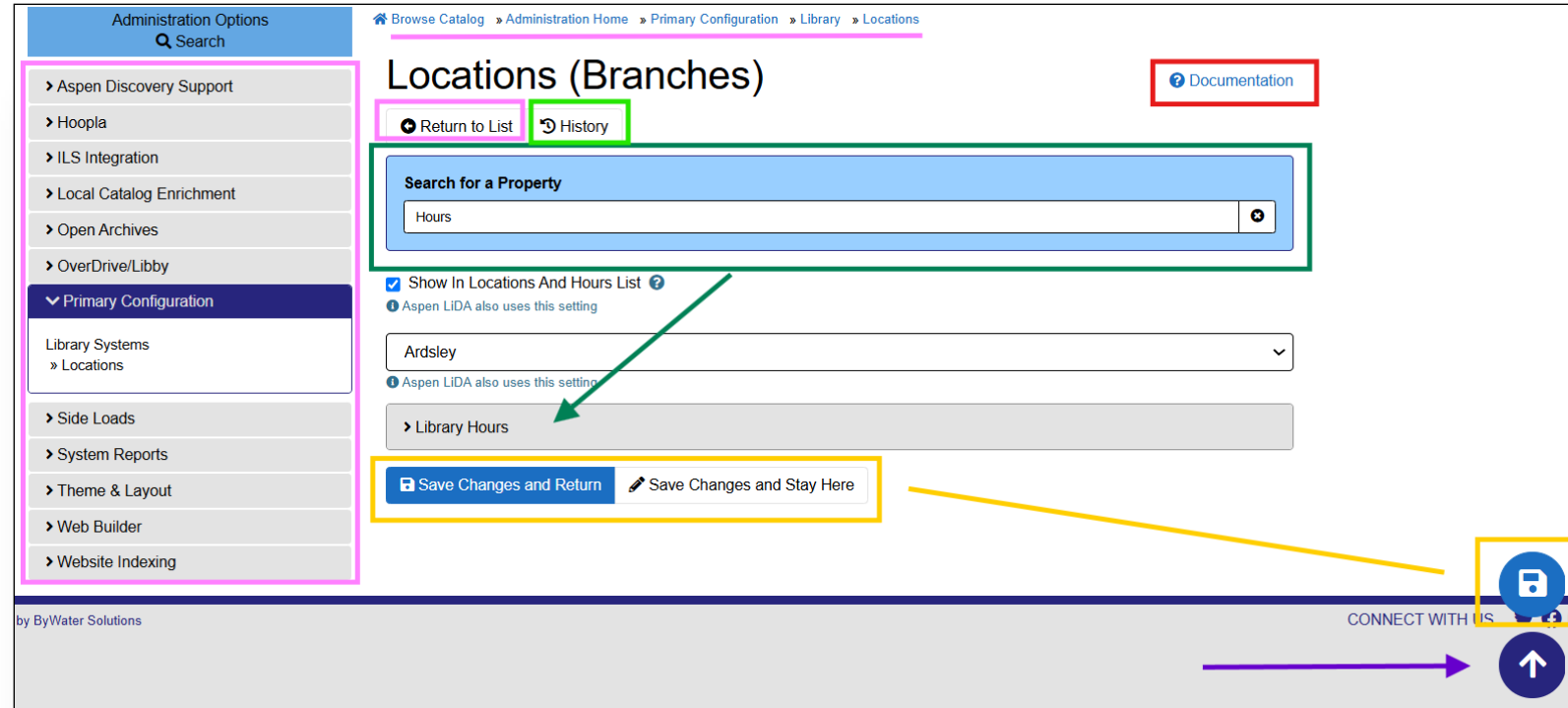
Documentation

When you open a menu from Admin, click on your Location ID or the Edit button to open the interface.

Aspen Administration "Housekeeping"

When you open an interface, there will be:

- The **collapsed Aspen Admin Menus** on the left side of your screen.
- "**Breadcrumbs**" of the links/pages you've clicked on to get to that page.
- A "**Return to List**" button that will exit of the page.
- In the top right corner, a link to the **corresponding documentation** in the help center.
- A **Search Bar** at the top of the screen to find the property you want to edit.
- **Save options**.
- A **navigation arrow** to bring you back to the top of your page.
- A **history log** of everything that was worked on this interface for the last 90 days.



Note: There is no "undo" button, but you can use the ctrl and Z buttons to undo unsaved changes in certain pages.

Dashboards

ILS Usage Graph - Users Who Placed At Least One Hold



ILS Usage Dashboard

Instance to show stats for: All

Selected Profile - ils

User Logins

THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH
15336	21950
THIS YEAR	ALL TIME
37286	317865

Self Registrations

THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH
0	0
THIS YEAR	ALL TIME
0	0

Users who placed at least one hold

THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH
6883	12295
THIS YEAR	ALL TIME
19178	179306

Records Held

THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH
18128	42060
THIS YEAR	ALL TIME
60188	547482

Total Holds

THIS MONTH	LAST MONTH
20477	51652
THIS YEAR	ALL TIME
72129	699560

Users Who Placed At Least One Hold

0
0
2
37
5,841
6,495
7,016
7,421
7,746
7,679

Dashboards

([Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Admin > System Reports](#))

The Aspen Dashboards will default to display **ALL** libraries. To view your specific dashboard, open the dropdown and choose your Aspen URL. Toggle the view of these reports to show the information in a graph format as well by hitting the graph icon next to the category you'd like to view. This will also provide you with the raw data underneath the graph.

- **ILS Usage dashboard:** See how many user logins, records held and holds placed.
- **CloudLibrary:** See how many Active Users, Records with usage, Loans, and Holds.
- **Hoopla:** See how many Active Users, Records with usage, and Loans.
- **Overdrive/Libby:** See how many Active Users, Records with usage, and Loans, Failed Loans, Renewals, Early Returns, Holds, Failed Holds, Cancelled Holds, Holds Frozen, Holds Thawed, etc.
- **Sideloads:** See how often Comics Plus, Kanopy, LinkedIn Learning, Peterson's Test Prep, and Tumblebooks are being accessed from Aspen.
- **System Reports:** See how many Page Views, Sessions started, Searches, etc.

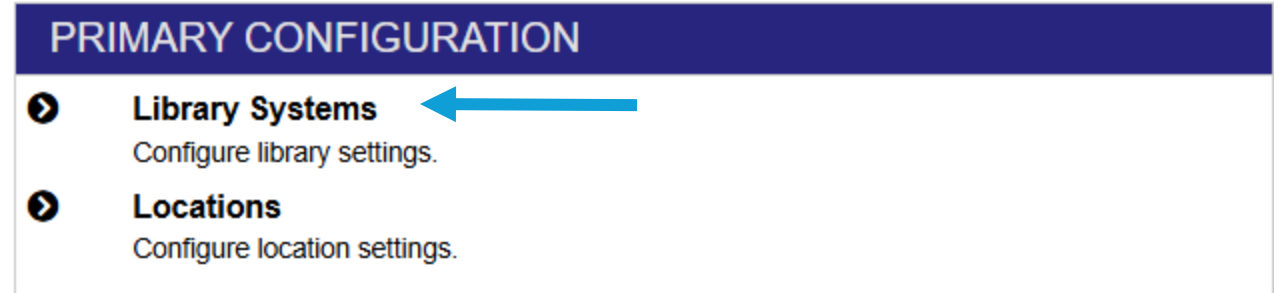
Dashboard Categories

ILS Integration			
User Logins:	Number of users that log in to Aspen.	Users Who Placed At Least One Hold:	Users who placed at least one hold within Aspen.
Self Registrations:	Users that register through Aspen. Because self-registration is not available to our patrons, this will be empty.	Records Held:	Unique number of titles or bib records with at least one hold placed on them.
System Reports			
Page Views:	Total number of pages shown that are not by a bot and not ajax requests (pop-ups). Users can have multiple page views during one session as they navigate through pages and search results.	Covers Requested:	Total number of book covers that are showing on search result pages. Includes covers shown in the item record like "More Like This" and "Series".
Page Views – by Authenticated Users:	The exact same thing as above but by logged-in users.	Grouped Work Searches:	Total number of searches done.
Sessions Started:	Close to number of visitors. If a patron/user's browser cookies remember the site, then it will continue the previous session. If it is not remembered, it will create a new session. Aspen is trying to ignore pop-ups and visits from bots. This will also be less than the number of page views.	User List Searches:	When a user searches from the "list" dropdown.
Page Views By Bot:	Aspen has a list of bots that they check against- Google bot, Bing bot, etc. that are out checking the web.	Errors:	Whenever there is an error that pops up in Aspen, it gets logged. This number should be low. We are monitoring and have alerts set for these.
Asynchronous Requests:	Showing a pop-up or when menu data is loading.		

Hoopla			
Active Users:	Users within Aspen that have had successful check out or placed a successful hold.	Loans:	All successful checkouts in Aspen.
Records With Usage:	Records with usage is total number of unique titles that have been checked out or placed on hold. So that number should be less than the number of holds and loans combined.		
OverDrive/Libby			
Active Users	Users within Aspen that have had successful check out or placed a successful hold.	Holds Thawed	Count of thawed (activated) holds in Aspen.
Records With Usage	Records with usage is total number of unique titles that have been checked out or placed on hold. So that number should be less than the number of holds and loans combined.	Renewals	Number of successful renewals in Aspen. Because a renewal is essentially a hold, some of those (the holds that were fulfilled and accessed via Aspen) are included in all time loans.
Loans	All successful checkouts in Aspen.	Downloads	Downloads is the number of times the download button was clicked. So, if you have a user that is using Aspen to access the read online version, there would be one click for each time they opened the book OR if a user downloaded a title on one device but then needed it downloaded on another, that would result in 2 downloads for the same title.
Failed Loans	All unsuccessful checkouts in Aspen.	Options Updates	Updating their user preferences in Aspen's My Account.
Holds	All suceesful holds in Aspen.	API Errors	Anytime there is an error back when accessing a record; like when placing a hold or checking out and user receives an error; if you're noticing a lot of them, let us know; we're not automatically monitoring these.
Cancelled Holds	Count of cancelled holds in Aspen.	Connection Failures	OverDrive entire APIs are down.
Holds Frozen	Count of frozen (suspended) holds in Aspen.		

Primary Configuration **Library Systems**

- Basic Display (Library Home link)
- Contact links (Social Media links and General Email Address)
- Turn On Explore More Options
- Input Holidays
- Add Menu Links
- Add Contact/Social Media Links

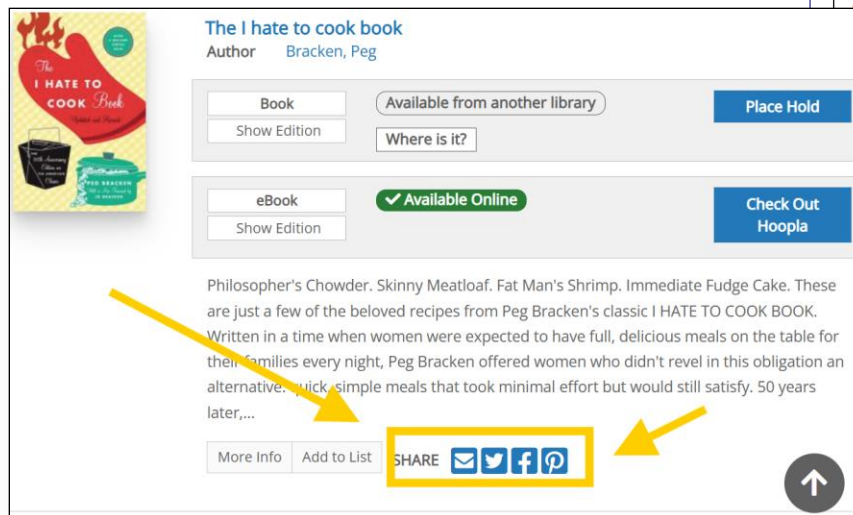


Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Contact Links

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Admin > Library Systems > Contact Links)

- In Contact Links you can input the appropriate links for social media pages.
 - When you input a link, the social media icon will appear beneath book descriptions.
- The icons are clickable and redirect patrons to those pages.



▼ Contact Links

Facebook Link URL ?

Twitter Link URL ?

Youtube Link URL ?

Instagram Link URL ?

Pinterest Link URL ?

GoodReads Link URL ?

Book Link URL ?

General Contact Link URL ?

Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Holidays

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Admin > Library Systems > Scroll to bottom of page)

To add a Holiday or Closed Date, open Library Systems and scroll to the bottom of the page.

- Open the Holidays tab and click on the Add New button.
- Input the date or choose from the calendar widget.
- In the text box, name the Holiday.
- Use one of the Save options.

The screenshot shows the 'Web Builder Results' page. At the top, there is a checkbox labeled 'Allow searching locally created web content' with a question mark icon. Below this, a yellow box highlights the 'Holidays' tab in the 'Menu Links' section. A yellow arrow points to the 'Add New' button at the bottom of the 'Holidays' table. The table lists various holidays with their dates and names, and each row has a 'Delete' button. The 'Add New' button is located at the bottom left of the table.

Web Builder Results

☐ Allow searching locally created web content ?

Menu Links

Holidays

Date	Holiday Name	Actions
09/04/2023	Labor Day	Delete
10/09/2023	Columbus Day	Delete
11/11/2023	Veteran's Day	Delete
11/22/2023	Thanksgiving Eve (1/2 day)	Delete
11/23/2023	Thanksgiving Day	Delete
11/24/2023	Day After Thanksgiving	Delete
12/24/2023	Christmas Eve	Delete
12/25/2023	Christmas Day (obs)	Delete
01/01/2024	News Years Day	Delete
02/17/2025	President's day	Delete
mm/dd/yyyy		

+ Add New

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Large Screens Only **All Scr**

westchester LIBRARY SYSTEM

Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Holidays

(Documentation: [From Aspen Help Center > Admin > Library Systems > Scroll to bottom of page](#))

When Holidays are added to this section, information about the holiday closure will appear on pages in the user account (Checked Out Titles and Titles On Hold).

Note that holiday information will *not* display in the Hours & Locations information.

Holidays also aren't for regular closures (e.g. "we're closed every Sunday"); those can be added in Primary Configuration > Locations > Hours.


Another great way to advertise holiday or other closures is through System Messages!

Titles On Hold

Ardley Public Library is closed today for President's day. It will reopen on Fri from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM

All 0 Physical Materials 0 Libby 0

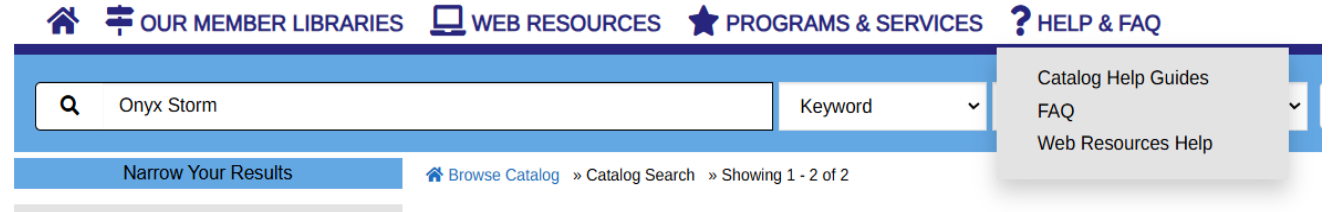
07/04/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	Independence Day	Delete
09/01/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	Labor Day	Delete
10/13/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	Columbus Day	Delete
11/11/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	Veteran's Day	Delete
11/23/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	Thanksgiving Day	Delete
12/24/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	Christmas Eve	Delete
12/25/2024	<input type="checkbox"/>	Christmas Day (obs)	Delete
01/01/2025	<input type="checkbox"/>	News Years Day	Delete
02/17/2025	<input type="checkbox"/>	President's day	Delete



Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Menu Links

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Menu Links)



When planning your Menu Links, think about:

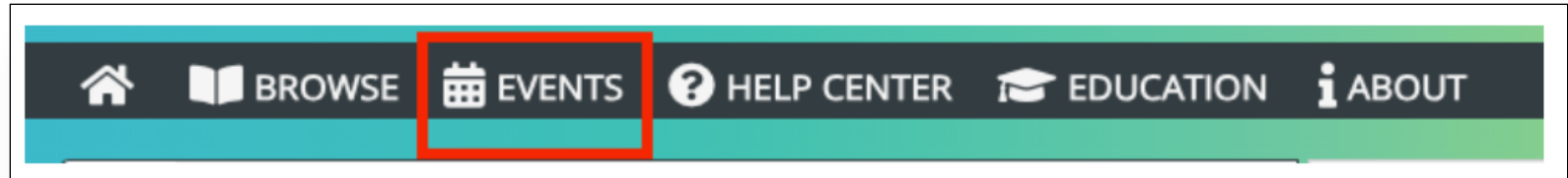
- Can Menu Links be combined into categories to create dropdown menus?
- Do all of my Menu Links need to be above the search bar, or can I put some links in the side hamburger menu instead?
(Example: About Us, Contact Us, Help, Mission Statement, Library Policies, Staff Directory, etc. are all good candidates for the side/hamburger menu)
- Can my Menu Link labels use less words to convey the same message? (Example: "Resources" vs. "Electronic Resources & Databases")
- Would switching to a full-width header and footer give me more space for menu links? (To adjust this, go into **Aspen Administration** > **Theme & Layout** > **Themes** > *click into my theme* > check **Make Header & Footer Full Width**)

Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Menu Links

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Menu Links)

To add Menu Links to your catalog, open Library Systems, use the search box for "Menu Links," or scroll to the bottom of the page.



Top Menu Links:

To add Menu Links across the top of the search bar, you must select Show in Top Menu and/or Show Icon in Top Menu.

- If you leave both of these deselected and the Menu Link is checked as Published? **then the Menu Link will automatically move into the side hamburger menu** instead of along the top of the search bar.
- Show in Top Menu (Large Screens Only)- If checked, then the top icon will remain in mobile view and the link labels will be collapsed.
- Show Icon in Top Menu (All Screen Sizes) - If also checked, then the top icons will move to the side hamburger menu in mobile view.

Menu Links [?]

Sort	Category	FontAwesome Icon Name [?]	Link Text	URL	Show In Top Menu Large Screens Only	Show Icon in Top Menu All Screen Sizes
↑	Events	calendar-alt	Events	https://bywaterso	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Menu Links

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Menu Links)

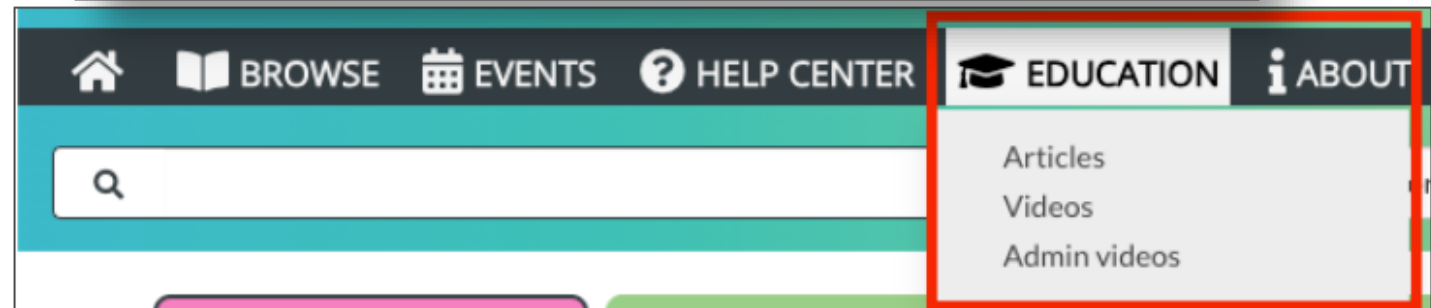
Stacked Menu Links or Drop-down Menu Links

- To create a set of nested links aka a drop-down menu, you'll first decide the name of the menu **Category**. This is the text that will become the header of your menu link.
- Next, add one line for each link in your menu copying down the exact same Category name. This is how Aspen knows to group these links together.



Menu Links ?

Category	FontAwesome Icon Name ?	Link Text	URL	Show In Top Menu Large Screens Only	Show Icon In Top Menu All Screen Sizes
Education	graduation-cap	Articles	https://bywaterso	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Education		Videos	https://www.youtu	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Education		Admin videos	/training	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>



Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Menu Links

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Menu Links)

After adding the Category, Link Text, and URL – use the navigation bar towards the right to view the display options.

- **Show in Top Menu & Show Icon in Top Menu:** Displays the icon and designates the menu links to appear in the homepage, above the search bar.
- **Show Expanded:** For stacked/drop-down menus, turning this on will display all links without having to "open" them.
- **Open in New Tab:** Opens links in new tab.
- **Published:** Makes the links visible and usable.
- **Show to logged in users only:** This will make links visible to patrons only when they are logged into the catalog.
- **Show on....:** Determines which versions of the catalog the links display in. (I.e.: Aspen Discovery Only = Only the catalog, Aspen LiDa Only = Only in the App, Display in both).

URL	Show In Top Menu Large Screens Only	Show Icon In Top Menu All Screen Sizes	Show Expanded	Open In New Tab	Published	Show to logged in users only	Show on
/MyAccount/Sele...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aspen Discov
https://opac.west...	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aspen Discov
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Last Step! Use the navigation bar to go back to the left and click on the blue icon to open the options for selecting an icon.

Primary Configuration

Library Systems - Add Menu Icons

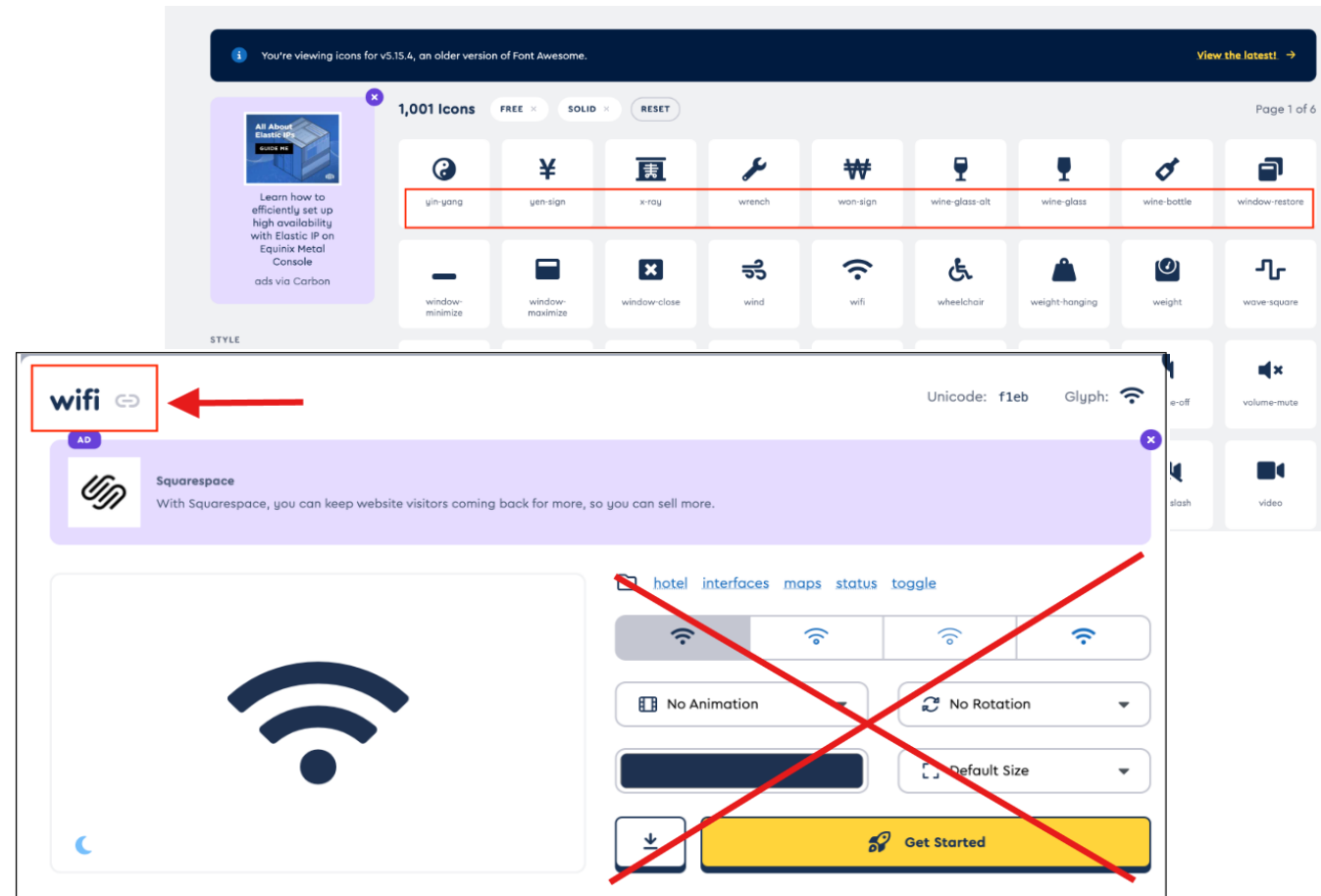
(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Menu Links)

The icons used in menu links come from Font Awesome:

<https://fontawesome.com/v5/search?o=r&m=free&s=solid>

When you find an icon you want, type the word exactly as it is into Aspen.

If you click onto the image, you can also copy the word from the modal by copy and pasting or clicking on the link icon to copy the word and then pasting into the Icon field.

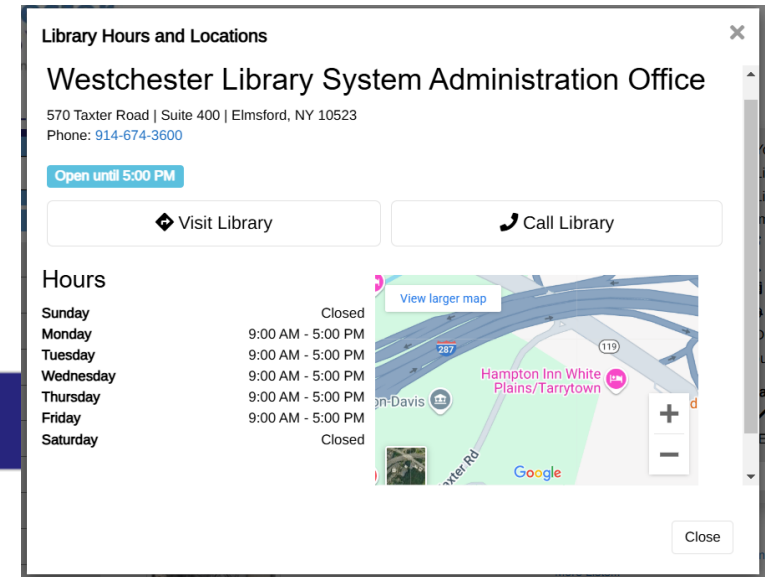


Primary Configuration Locations

PRIMARY CONFIGURATION

- **Library Systems**
Configure library settings.
- **Locations** ←
Configure location settings.

- Address
- Contact info
- Hours of operation



Primary Configuration Locations

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Admin > Locations)

In Locations, this is where you will find the library's address, latitude and longitude (this creates the map in the Hours and Location link), Contact information and options to include additional text in the header space, or add a description of your library to the Hours and Locations box. You can also configure whether or not you want the Explore More banner to appear in the search results of your catalog.



The screenshot displays the configuration interface for the Westchester Library System Administration Office. At the top, the title "Library Hours and Locations" is followed by the office name and address: "Westchester Library System Administration Office, 570 Taxter Road | Suite 400 | Elmsford, NY 10523, Phone: 914-674-3600". A status bar indicates "Open until 5:00 PM". Below this are buttons for "Visit Library" and "Call Library". The "Hours" section lists the days of the week and their corresponding operating times: Sunday (Closed), Monday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM), Tuesday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM), Wednesday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM), Thursday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM), Friday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM), and Saturday (Closed). A map on the right shows the location near the Hampton Inn White Plains/Tarrytown. The "Description" section includes a rich text editor with a toolbar and a placeholder text: "Add additional information about your library to display in the Hours and Location box!". Below the editor are settings for "Basic Display", including checkboxes for "Show Display Name in Header" (unchecked) and "Show language and display settings in page header" (checked). The "Home Link" section shows a URL: "https://www.ardsley...". The "Explore More Bar Section" contains four checked checkboxes: "Display Explore More Bar in Catalog Search Results", "Display Explore More Bar in Summon Search Results", "Display Explore More Bar in Ebsco EDS Search Results", and "Display Explore More Bar in Ebsco Host Search Results".

Primary Configuration

Locations

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Admin > Locations > Adding or Editing Location Hours)

Hours of operation:

- Use the search bar to type "Hours", or scroll to the bottom of the page and click **Add New** to add or edit hours.
- Choose a day of the week from the dropdown.
- If the location is closed that day, check the Closed box.
- Set the Opening Hour and the Closing Hour. You can type or click the clock icon to choose from a dropdown menu.
- Type any notes that might apply to that day.

(Example: curbside or pickup window hours, seasonal hours, or different hours for the children's room.)

Library Hours

Hours

Day of Week	Closed	Opening Hour	Closing Hour	Notes	Actions
Sunday	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12:00 AM	--:--		Delete
Monday	<input type="checkbox"/>	10:00 AM	05:30 PM		Delete
Tuesday	<input type="checkbox"/>	10:00 AM	05:30 PM		Delete
Wednesday	<input type="checkbox"/>	10:00 AM	05:30 PM		Delete
Thursday	<input type="checkbox"/>	01:00 PM	08:00 PM		Delete
Friday	<input type="checkbox"/>	10:00 AM	05:30 PM		Delete
Saturday	<input type="checkbox"/>	10:00 AM	05:30 PM	July & August: 10am-1pm	Delete

+ Add New

Primary Configuration

Locations

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Admin > Locations > Adding or Editing Location Hours)

Where Hours Are Reflected

- Library hours are reflected in up to two places in Aspen:
 - the Library Locations & Hours list
 - on pages in the user account (*Checked Out Titles* and *Titles On Hold*)
- Hours are displayed in the user account by default. The hours shown are always based on the user's home library location.
- Save your changes.

Library Hours and Locations

Westchester Library System Administration Office

570 Taxter Road | Suite 400 | Elmsford, NY 10523
Phone: 914-674-3600

Open until 5:00 PM

Visit Library

Call Library

Hours

Sunday

Closed

Monday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Tuesday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Thursday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Friday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday

Closed

View larger map

Hampton Inn White Plains/Tarrytown

in-Davis

Titles On Hold

Westchester Library System Administration Office is open today from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

All 2

Physical Materials 2

Libby 0

Theme & Layout

Themes

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Theme and Layout)

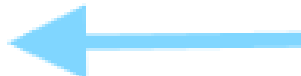
- Change colors for the entire interface
- Upload your library's logo, favicon
- Change the heading and body fonts, or upload your own

THEME & LAYOUT



Themes

Define colors, fonts, images etc used within Aspen Discovery.

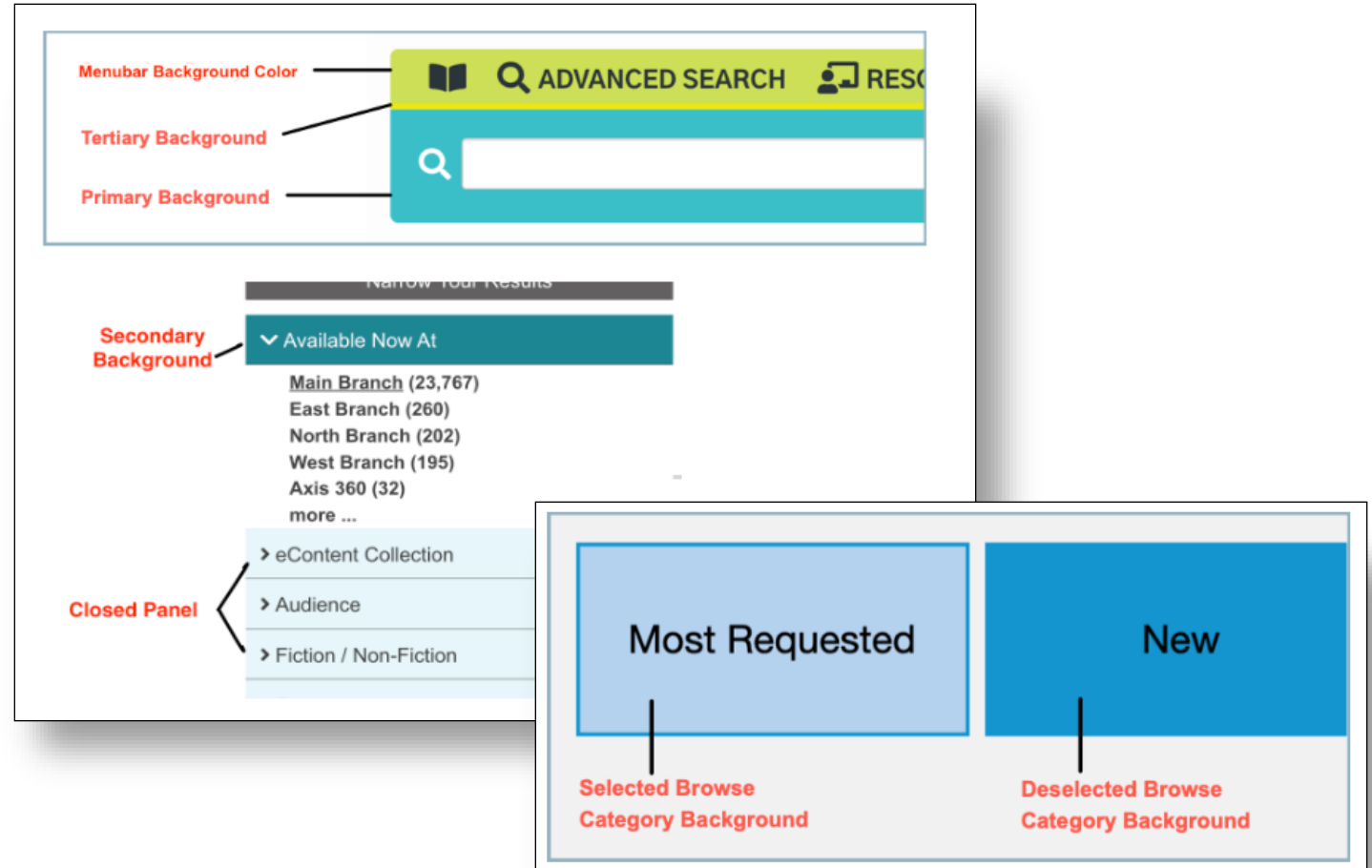


Theme & Layout

Themes

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Theme and Layout)

The theme colors that will have the most impact on the overall look of your site are the **Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary Background** colors, the **Menu bar** colors, and the **Browse category** colors.



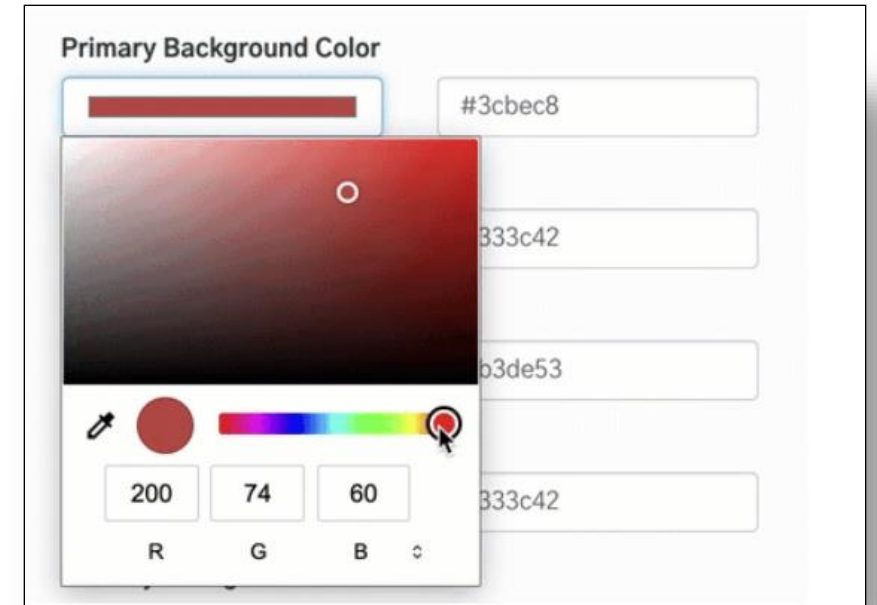
Theme & Layout

Themes

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Theme and Layout)

To change theme colors:

- Change the color for an interface component by clicking the color box for that component. This will open a drop-down color selector tool. Drag the slider to adjust hues. Click and drag to adjust the color saturation.
- You can also change colors by manually typing in the RGB values or pasting in the hex color code, if known.
- To grab colors from a logo or another image, use the eyedropper tool.
- Pay attention to the contrast ratio!
- When finished making color adjustments, save your changes at the bottom of the screen.



Local Catalog Enrichment

System Messages

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > System Messages)

With these settings, you can:

- Create messages that communicate information to users
- Target messages to specific user account pages
- Schedule system messages to appear for a specific amount of time

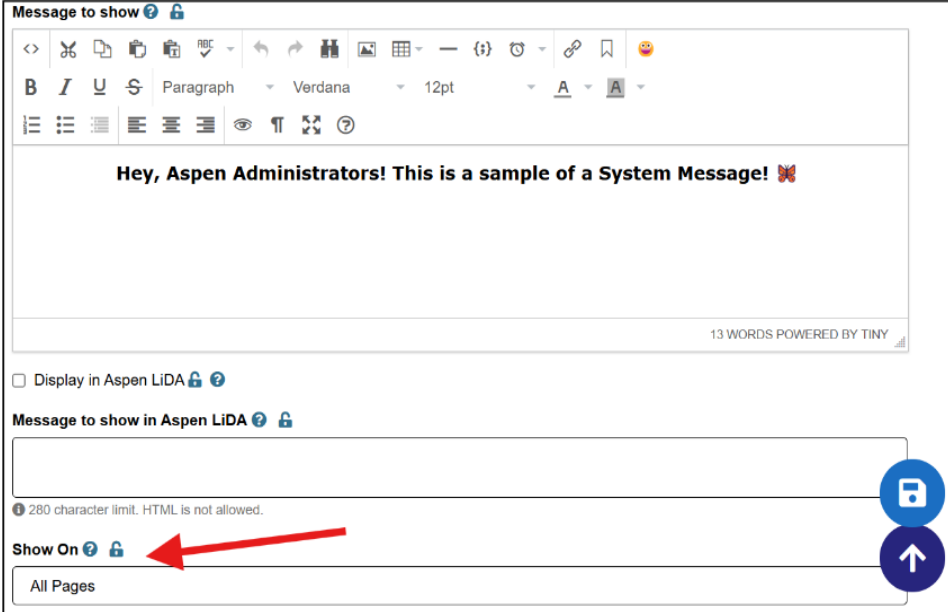
LOCAL CATALOG ENRICHMENT

- **Browse Category Groups**
Configure the Browse Categories that are shown on the library home page.
- **Browse Categories**
Define browse categories shown on the library home page.
- **Collection Spotlights**
Define spotlights that can be embedded within Aspen custom pages or other websites.
- **Placards**
Placards allow you to promote services that do not have MARC records or APIs for inclusion in the catalog.
- **System Messages** ←
System Messages allow you to display messages to your patrons in specific locations.

Local Catalog Enrichment System Messages

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > System Messages)

- Open System Messages and click Add New.
- Give your system message a title. This is not shown anywhere publicly; it is for your internal identification purposes only.
- Type and format your message in the **Message to show** text area. You can change the font, color, size of font, add hyperlinks or even upload images here. If uploading images, keep in mind the size (smaller images might be better)
 - Check Display in **Aspen LiDA** if you want the message to show in Aspen LiDA. (Note: If showing in Aspen LiDA, add the message you want to show here.)
- Click the **Show On** dropdown to change where the system message displays, if desired. The message will show on **All Pages** by default (top of header placement), but you can also target messages based on whether users are logged in, or display on specific account pages.



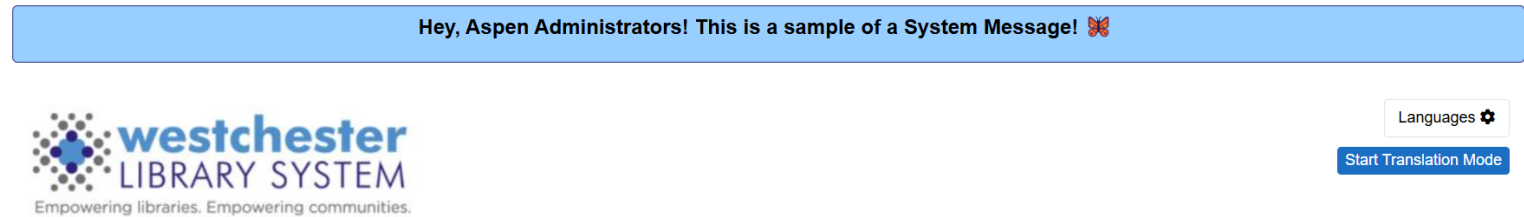
The screenshot shows the 'Message to show' configuration window. At the top, there's a title bar 'Message to show' with a lock icon. Below it is a rich text editor toolbar with various icons for text formatting (bold, italic, underline, link, unlink, list, indent, outdent, etc.) and a font dropdown set to 'Verdana' and '12pt'. The main text area contains the message: 'Hey, Aspen Administrators! This is a sample of a System Message! 🦋'. At the bottom right of the text area, it says '13 WORDS POWERED BY TINY'. Below the text area is a checkbox labeled 'Display in Aspen LiDA' with a lock icon. Underneath that is a text input field for 'Message to show in Aspen LiDA' with a character limit of 280 and a note that HTML is not allowed. At the bottom, there's a 'Show On' dropdown menu with a lock icon, currently set to 'All Pages'. A red arrow points to the 'Show On' dropdown. On the right side of the form, there are two blue circular buttons: a lock icon and an up arrow icon.

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System Messages

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > System Messages)

- Select a **Message Style** to help your message stand out with background colors. The Message Style default colors are as follows but they can be updated in your Theme Settings and correlate to the Button colors.
 - Info (blue)
 - Warning (yellow)
 - Danger (red)
 - Success (green)
- Select a **Start Date to Show** and **End Date to Show** for your message if you only want the message to show during a specific time period.
- Check **Dismissible** to allow logged in patrons to be able to hide a message if they have already seen it. All Aspen LiDa messages are dismissible by default.
- Select the Libraries and Locations the system message applies to. If no libraries or locations are selected, the system message will not appear.
- Save your changes.



Local Catalog Enrichment Placards

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Placards)

Placards are like strategic advertisements that can help you promote resources, events, lists, and more! When users perform catalog searches that match keywords or phrases you specify, your placard will appear above search results.

- Feature an online resource, such as Mango Languages.
- Link to a "While You Wait" staff list of read-a-likes when searching for a popular title or author.
- Advertise an upcoming author talk event when searching for the author or their books.
- Link to resources when searching for related terms.
- Promote story time or kids events when searching for popular children's book topics.

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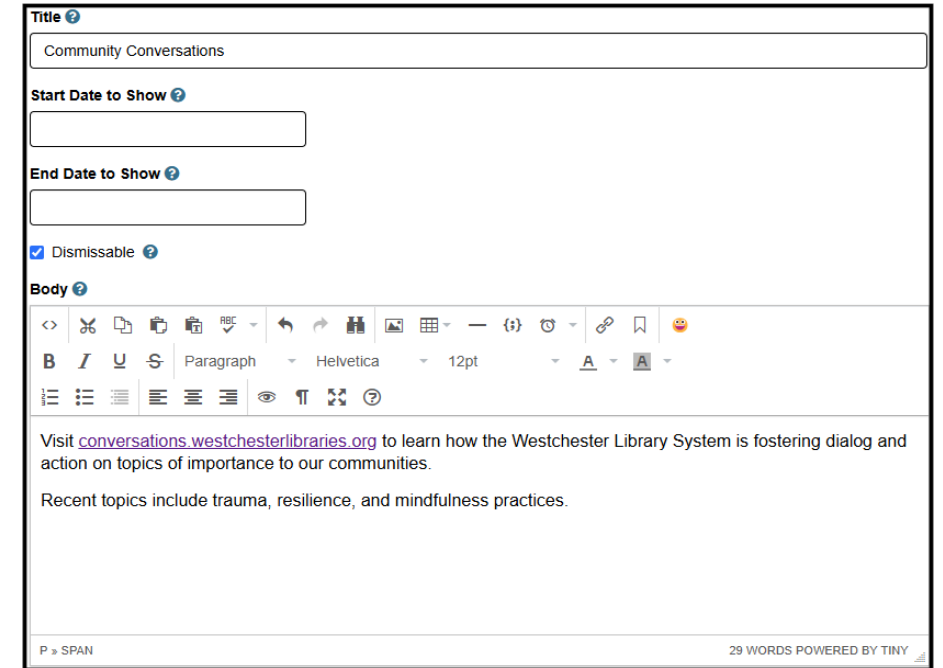
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Placards allow you to promote services that do not have MARC records or APIs for inclusion in the catalog.
- ➎ **System Messages**
System Messages allow you to display messages to your patrons in specific locations.

The top screenshot shows a search for 'cooking' in the library catalog. The results page features a 'Cooking Events' placard with a colorful image of various dishes and a 'MORE DETAILS' link. The bottom screenshot shows a search for 'sign language'. The results page features a 'Sign Language' placard with a hand icon and text: 'Sign Language ASL signs taught through songs and stories w/ Joye Carlson of Love2Sign. Birth-age 6. Registration required - Click here for details.'

Local Catalog Enrichment Placards

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Placards)

- From Local Catalog Enrichment, open Placards and click "Add New."
- Give your placard a title.
 - This will not show on the placard itself and is only seen internally.
- Optional: Select a Start Date and/or End Date for the placard.
 - If no start or end date are selected, the placard will continue to show indefinitely.
- Optional: if you want users to be able to dismiss the placard, check the "Dismissible" box. (**Note:** if you allow users to dismiss your placard, when the user is logged in they will NOT see this particular placard again.)
- Type text for your placard in the body. Use the text formatting options to increase font size, upload images, and add links.



The screenshot shows the 'Add New' placard form. It includes a 'Title' field with the text 'Community Conversations'. Below this are 'Start Date to Show' and 'End Date to Show' fields, both currently empty. A 'Dismissible' checkbox is checked. The 'Body' section features a rich text editor with a toolbar containing icons for undo, redo, bold, italic, underline, strikethrough, paragraph, font face, font size, link, unlink, and emoji. The body text reads: 'Visit conversations.westchesterlibraries.org to learn how the Westchester Library System is fostering dialog and action on topics of importance to our communities. Recent topics include trauma, resilience, and mindfulness practices.' At the bottom, it shows 'P » SPAN' and '29 WORDS POWERED BY TINY'.

Local Catalog Enrichment Placards

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Placards)

- Add an image, if desired. If using an image for the entire placard, the maximum recommended dimensions are specified here (800px by 150px).
- If uploading an image, add alt text. This text is used by screen readers for accessibility.
 - Definitely fill in the alt text if you plan to use an image for the entire placard instead of a mix of image and text.
- Add a URL to link the entire placard. Adding a link will make the entire placard clickable.
- Click "Add New" to add trigger words for your placard. When catalog searches contain any of the keywords you specify, your placard will appear above search results.
- Add as many trigger words as you like. When catalog searches contain any of the keywords you specify, your placard will appear above search results. **Think like a library user: what are they likely to search for?**

The screenshot shows the 'Community Conversations' placard configuration page. At the top, there's a logo and the title 'Community Conversations Brought to you by Westchester Library System'. Below this, there's a section for 'Select an image...' with a text input field containing 'imagecommunity conversations.JPG' and a 'Remove' button. Underneath is the 'Alt Text' field with the description: 'Community Conversations description: "Visit conversations.westchesterlibraries.org to learn how the Westchester Library System'. The 'Link' field contains the URL 'https://conversations.westchesterlibraries.org/'. The 'Triggers' section is a table with columns for 'Trigger word', 'Exact Match', and 'Actions'. It lists several trigger words with checkboxes for exact matching and 'Delete' buttons for each. At the bottom, there is an '+ Add New' button.

Trigger word	Exact Match	Actions
ACEs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Adverse childhood experiences	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Breath Body Mind	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Breathing Exercises	<input type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Community Conversations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Harwood Institute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Resilience	<input type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Richard Harwood	<input type="checkbox"/>	Delete
Trauma-informed practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	Delete

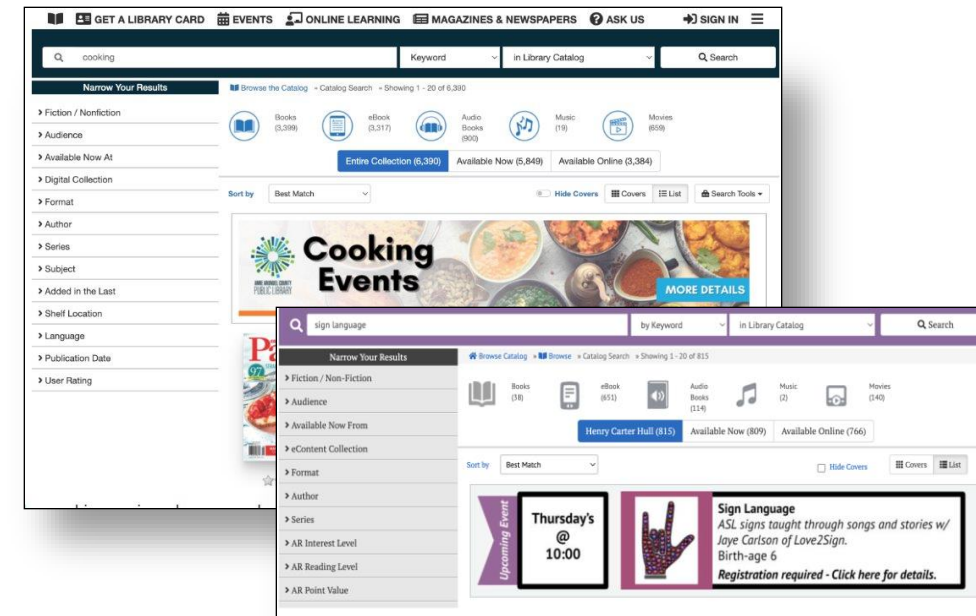
Note: You might have placards that share the same trigger word! When placards share the same trigger word, the placard **saved most recently** will display when that keyword is searched.

If you are using the same word across multiple placards, you should make the placards dismissible. This way, when one placard is dismissed, another placard using the same word could display in its place.

Local Catalog Enrichment Placards

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Placards)

- When "Exact Match" is checked, the placard will only appear if the exact trigger word(s) are searched. Test out your trigger words after saving the placard to make sure your placard appears as expected.
- Select language(s). Selecting a language here allows you to target placards based on which interface translation the patron is using. If you want your placard to show up for everyone regardless of language translation, click "Select All."
- Select your Library and Location.
 - Note: If no libraries or locations are selected, your placard will not appear. This is one way to keep your placard in "draft" form if it's still under construction.
- When finished, save your changes.



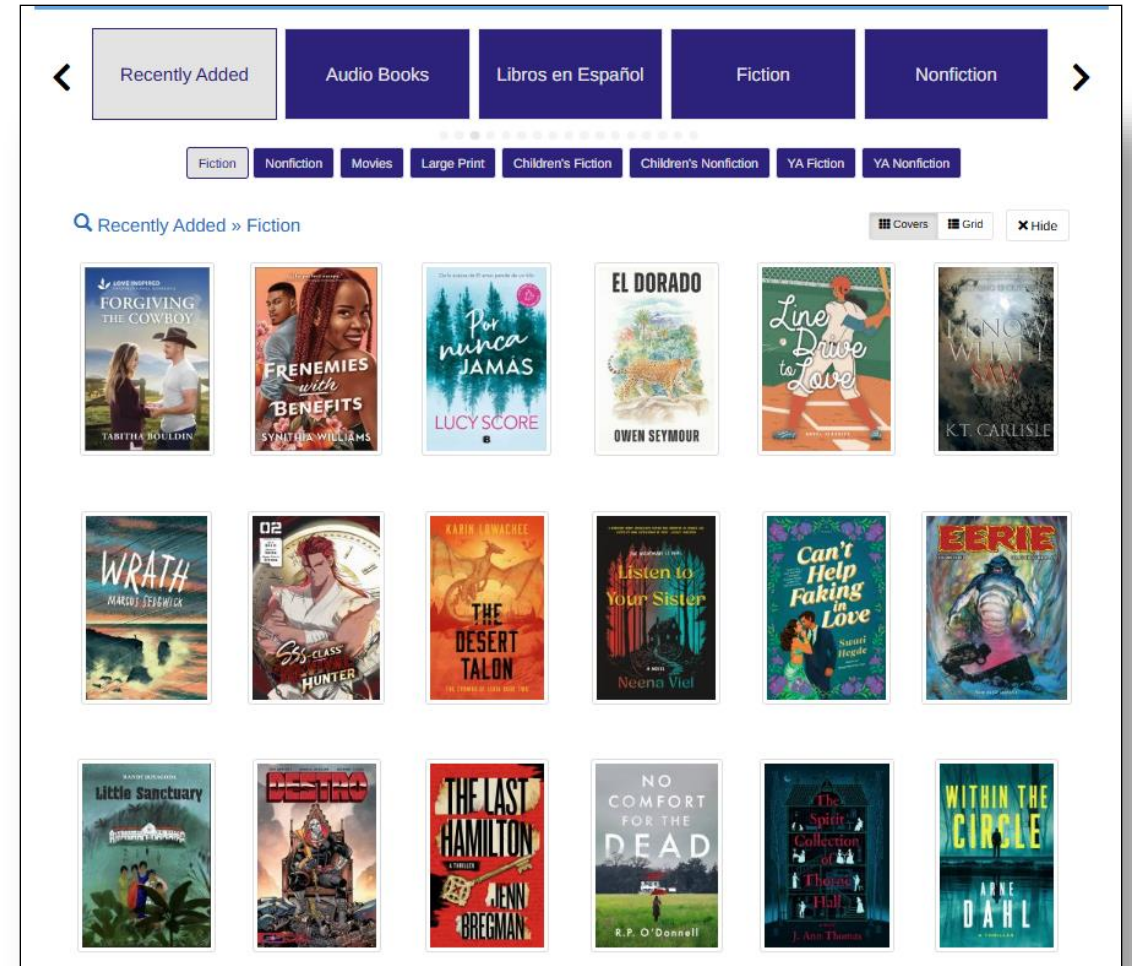
Local Catalog Enrichment

Browse Categories

(Documentation: [From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Browse Categories](#))

Browse Categories are one of the most visible and useful tools for your catalog!

- Create new browse categories from search results or saved lists.
- Add, remove, delete, edit, or re-arrange browse categories.
- Schedule browse categories.
- View browse category information and usage data.

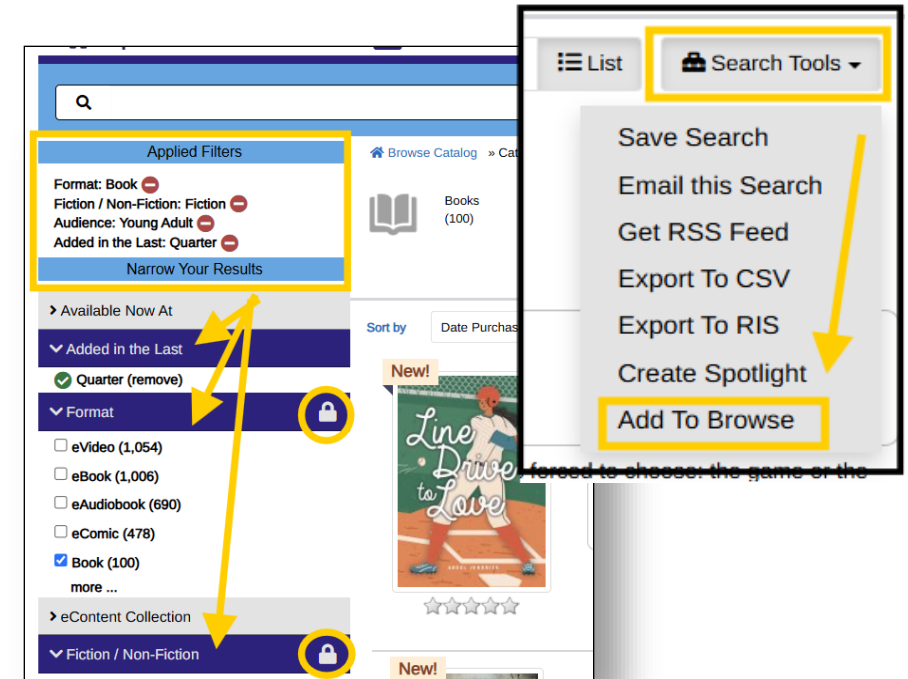


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Browse Categories from Search Results

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Browse Categories > Adding a New Browse Category from Search Results)

- Start with either a blank search, or a generic keyword search depending on the type of browse category you're wanting to create.
- Use the "Narrow Your Results" search facets to narrow your search results. **Fiction Vs. Non-fiction, Audience, Added In The Last...**, **Format, Genre** are popular facets used to curate browse categories.
- Next, select the "Sort By" dropdown and select "Date Purchased Desc". This will move items most recently added to your collection to the top of search results. This filter looks at the acquisition date on the record.
- When you're happy with your search results, open the Search Tools drop-down menu and select "Add to Browse."



Note: Browse Categories from a search can only be made from the regular catalog search results with facets, **not** from Advanced Search.

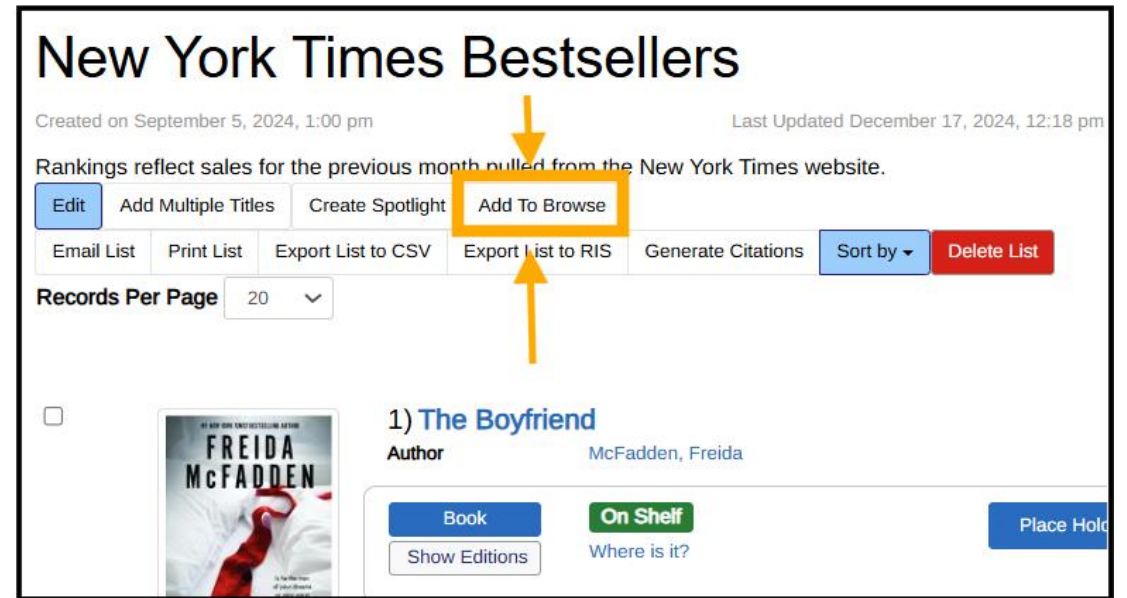
Local Catalog Enrichment

Browse Categories from Saved Lists

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Browse Categories > Adding a Browse Category from Lists)

In addition to using search results to create browse categories, you can also turn your user lists into browse categories!

- Access your saved lists from your account.
- Find the list you want to use for your browse category. Keep in mind that the list will need to be set to "Public" instead of "Private" in order to make it into a browse category.
- Click on Add To Browse
- When you make changes to the list, the browse category will also update to reflect those changes.



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Browse Categories

Whether its from Search Results, or a Saved List, when you select Add to Browse:

- Enter a title for the browse category.
- If you want this to become a sub-category to another browse category, make sure to select that in the dropdown list.
- Click on Create Category. Your new browse category will now appear on the front page!



Please enter a name for the browse category to be created.

New Category Name
The Book Was Better

Add as a Sub-Category to (optional)
Select One

Enter a title for the browse category.

< The Book Was Better Summer Reading Lists All Our Fav

Q The Book Was Better

BAMBI

A BEAUTIFUL MIND
The Life of Mathematical Genius and Nobel Laureate John Nash
SYLVIA NASAR

THE BOURNE IDENTITY
MUSIC BY JOHN POWELL

Local Catalog Enrichment > Browse Category Groups

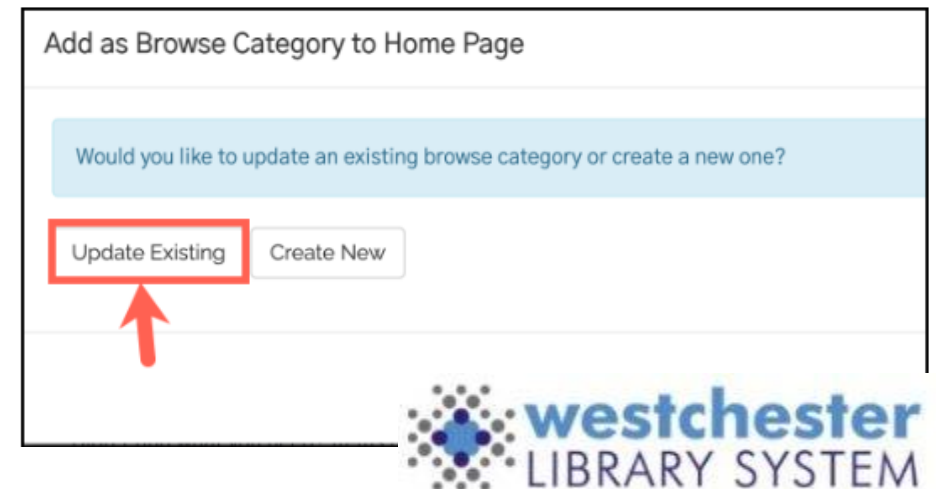
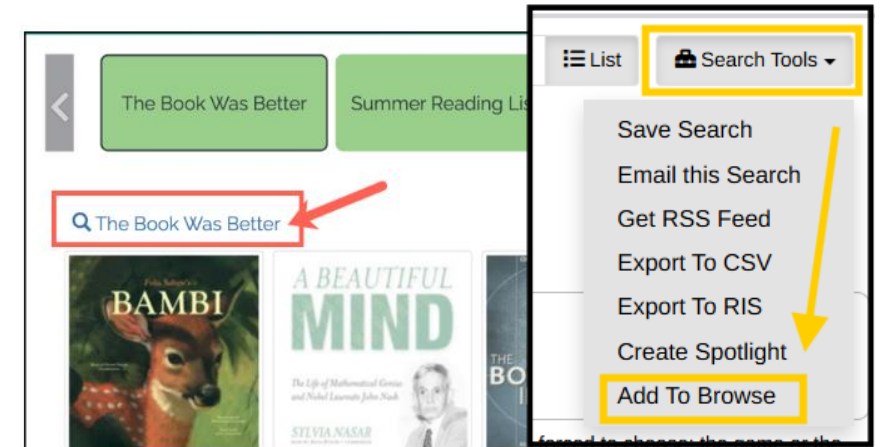
Edit Your Browse Categories

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Edit Browse Categories Contents)

Perhaps you've set up a browse category and realize the results aren't looking the way you'd like. No problem! Here's how to edit an existing browse category that was created with search results.

- Navigate to the browse category you wish to edit and click the **text link** above the cover images.
- You're now seeing the search results with the filters used to create this browse category. From here, you can adjust any of the search filters until you have the desired results.
- When finished, open the Search Tools Drop-down menu and **Add to Browse**.
- Since this browse category already exists, click **Update Existing**.
- Select the browse category you wish to update from the dropdown list. Make sure you're selecting the correct list for the correct library!
- Click **Update Category** and your browse category will immediately reflect your changes.

Note: If your browse category is built from a list, just edit the list contents to change what appears for the browse category.



Local Catalog Enrichment > Browse Category Groups

Edit Your Browse Categories

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Browse Categories > Rearrange Browse Categories and Sub-Categories)

From Local Catalog Enrichment, open Browse Category Groups. This is where we can control which browse categories show up on your main page, and in what order.

- Find your library's settings, then click the ID Number or Edit button.
- This page will show all the browse categories currently displaying on your main catalog page. There are additional settings on this page if you want to customize how cover images appear, whether star ratings are displayed, etc.
- Find the browse category you want to move. Use the Sort Arrows next to the browse category title to drag ands
- The Edit button will allow you to change the title, add a description, add a date range and view how many times the categories have been clicked on or dismissed!
- Click on Save Changes and Return.

LOCAL CATALOG ENRICHMENT

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Default Viewing Mode ⓘ
Show Covers Only

Ratings Mode ⓘ
Do not show rating stars.

Browse Categories ⓘ

Sort	Browse Category	Actions
↑	Recently Added (westchester_recently_added) - 13	Delete
↑	Movies (S_ARD_movies) - 39	Edit Delete
↑	Black History Month (S_ARD_black_history_month) - 40	Edit Delete
↑	Romance Books (S_ARD_romance_books) - 41	Edit Delete

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Browse Categories vs. Browse Category Groups

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Browse Categories)

Think of **Browse Category Groups** as the browse category **layout**. This is what is showing on your catalog left to right top to bottom.

You can move the sort order up and down here to re-order your browse categories.

You can delete browse categories when you are done featuring them or add browse categories when you want to update the look of your catalog browse category view.

Think of **Browse Categories** as a **database** of all the browse categories that have been created that you can pull from. This area is searchable, has some basic statistics, you can set start and end dates and you can also delete browse categories forever when you no longer want them on your catalog instance.

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Collection Spotlights

- **Create a collection spotlight from lists or search results.**
- **Customize collection spotlight appearance.**
- **Combine spotlights in a tabbed display.**

Collection spotlights are a great way to feature items from your collection displayed in a carousel of cover images. After creating a collection spotlight, you'll be able to copy the code needed to embed the spotlight on your website. Or, if you've created [custom pages with Aspen's web builder](#), you can embed collection spotlights with a few clicks!

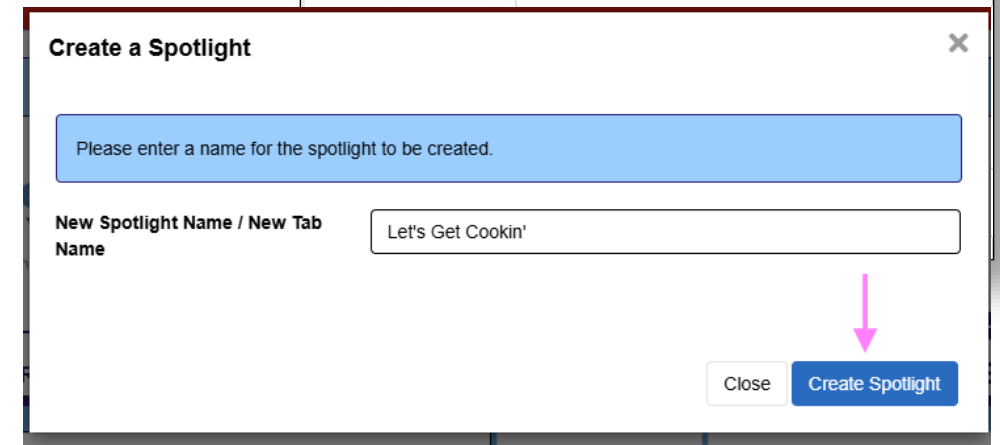
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Local Catalog Enrichment Collection Spotlights from Lists

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Collection Spotlights)

- Access your lists by clicking your username, then "Your Lists."
- Locate your desired list and click its title to view the settings.
- Click "Create Spotlight"
- When the spotlight is created, to collection spotlight interface will automatically open.
- Scroll down to view and copy the embed code. You'll have two options for embed code: a standard spotlight and a resizable spotlight. This page will also display live previews of each.
- To customize your collection spotlight, click Edit.

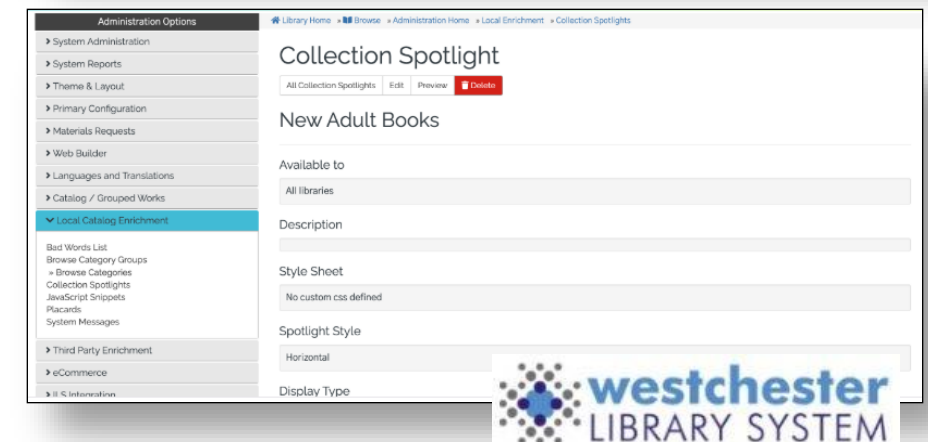
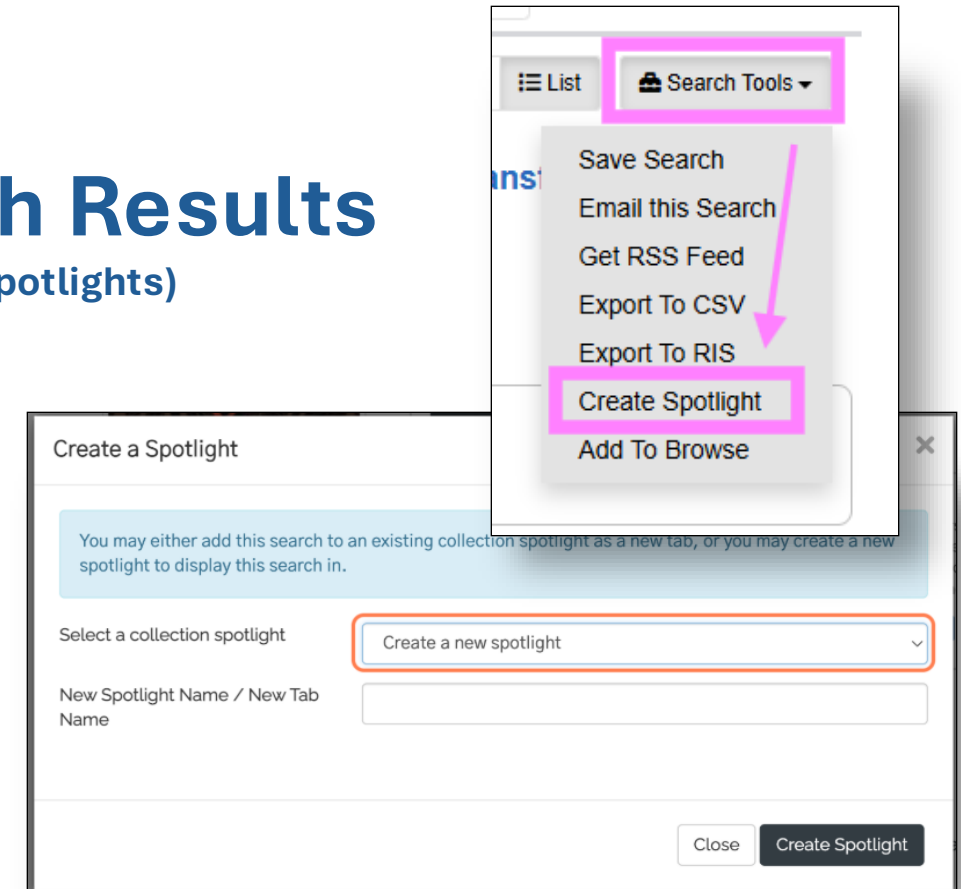


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Collection Spotlights from Search Results

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Collection Spotlights)

- From a catalog search, use the search facets to create your desired results.
- Open the Search Tools drop-down menu and click Create Spotlight.
- Type in a name for your collection spotlight and Click "Create Spotlight."
- After creating a new spotlight, you'll see a summary of your collection spotlight settings, along with the code snippets you'll need to copy if you wish to embed your spotlights on another website.
- Scroll down to view and copy the embed code. You'll have two options for embed code: a standard spotlight and a resizable spotlight. This page will also display live previews of each.
- To customize your collection spotlight, click Edit.



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Edit and Configure Collection Spotlights

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Collection Spotlights)

- To customize the appearance of a collection spotlight, open Collection Spotlights from the Web Builder.
- Click the Edit button for the spotlight you wish to customize.

The settings are as follows:

Library: Select the library associated with this collection spotlight.

Name: The title of your collection spotlight..

Description: An optional text field for entering in a description for your spotlight. This text is not visible to the public and is for your internal use only.

The number of titles that should be shown: By default, this is set to 25. You can adjust this number if you would like to feature more or less titles in your spotlight.

Should the title for the currently selected item be shown?: Determines whether the currently selected title will display below the cover images.

Should the author (catalog items) /format (archive items) for the currently selected item be shown?: Determines whether the title's author or format will display below the cover images.

Should ratings be shown under each cover?: Determines whether rating stars will appear for each title.

The style to use when displaying featured titles: Changes the visual display of your collection spotlight. (Experiment with different styles to see what they do!)

Should the display automatically rotate between titles?: Determines whether the collection spotlight automatically rotates between titles.

The cover size to use when showing the display: Toggles the cover size.

Display lists as: Determines whether combined collection spotlights display together in a tabbed view or as a dropdown list.

Show the display's title bar: By default, collection spotlights will display a title bar. Uncheck this option to remove the title bar from appearing above the cover carousel.

Show the View More link on the title bar of the display: Determines whether a "View More" link appears on the title bar, if enabled. When clicked, the "View More" link will take users to a page to see all titles associated with the collection spotlight. This will display either as a list or as search results, depending on how the spotlight was created.

Display mode for view more link: When users click on the View More Link, this can take users to the search results that show the spotlight titles as a list view or a covers view. The setting only applies to Collection Spotlights created from searches ***NOT*** Collection Spotlights created from lists.

Lists: Displays all lists or search results associated with this collection spotlight.

Note: Do not use this section to add new lists. See the "Creating Tabbed Collection Spotlights" section of this page for more information.

Web Builder

- **Create Web Pages**
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- **Showcase Web Resources**

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Web Builder

Custom Forms

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Web Builder > Custom Forms)

Create forms for users to fill out right within your catalog!

Forms are great for collecting feedback, allowing patrons to sign up for book or mailing lists, or even signing up for events. Not only can you link directly to a form page, you can also embed forms within custom pages.

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Web Builder

Custom Forms

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Web Builder > Custom Forms)

- Navigate to **Web Builder** → **Custom Forms**.
- Click **Add New** and give your form a **Title**.
- Enter a **URL Alias**. This will become part of the URL to access the form. For example, if you assign the URL alias **"/feedback"** the URL to access the form directly will be **https://[yourcatalogurl]/feedback**
- **Require Login**: checking this will require users to sign into their accounts before filling out the form.
- **Introductory Text**: Enter any text you would like to appear at the top of the form page. This could explain the purpose of your form and/or provide any additional instructions.
- **Fields**: In this section, you will add the fields for your form. Click **Add New** to add fields.
- For each field added, assign a **Label**. (Character limits for each Label field are set to 255 characters.) These field types are:
 - **Text Field**: Short text area for information such as names.
 - **Text Area**: Longer text fields for comments/feedback.
 - **Checkbox**: Adds a single checkbox. For example, "Click here to sign up for our newsletter."
 - **Select List**: Lets the user select an option from a dropdown list. To create this, add your options in the Select List Values field, each option separated with commas and no spaces.
 - **Date**: Allows users to type in the date or select a date from a Calendar view.
 - **Email Address**: Text field for an email address. Will check that the text is in a valid email format.
 - **URL**: Text field for a URL. Will check that the text entered is in a valid URL format.

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Custom Forms

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Web Builder > Custom Forms)

- Enter an optional **Description**. Text entered in the Description fields will become tooltips that users can hover over on each form field to see more information.
- If creating a **Select List** field, enter in your desired options separated with commas and no spaces.
- Enter in a **Default Value** if you'd like one of the fields to be pre-populated with certain text. This text will remain in the field unless a user deletes it and writes in their own.
- Click the **Required** checkbox next to any form fields that should be required in order to submit the form.
- **Email Results To:** If you want to receive notifications of form submissions, enter in the email addresses of the desired recipients. If entering in multiple email addresses, separate each address with a semicolon and no spaces. When users submit a form response, the email addresses listed will receive an email with the user's form responses.
- **Include Introductory Text in Email:** Check this box if you want to include the Introductory Text in the email. An example of when this would be useful is if you are creating an agreement form and you are wanting to save/print the full form.
- **Submission Result Text:** This text will appear to users after successfully submitting the form.
- Select the library this form should apply to, then save your changes at the bottom. Users will not be able to access your form if no libraries are selected here.
- To view or link to your form, append the form's URL alias to the end of your main catalog URL.

The image shows two UI components. On the right is a dropdown menu titled 'Favorite Genre' with a question mark icon. It lists several genres: 'Mystery' (with a checkmark), 'Romance', 'Comedy' (highlighted in blue), 'Horror', 'SciFi', and 'Fantasy'. On the left is a text input field with the placeholder text 'Select List Values (separate values with commas)'. Below the placeholder, the text 'Mystery,Romance,Comedy,I' is entered.

Fields							
Sort	Label	Field Type	Description	Select List Values (separate values with commas)	Default Value	Required	Actions
↓	Name	Text Field	Enter your name			<input type="checkbox"/>	
↓	Email	Email address	Enter your email add			<input type="checkbox"/>	
↓	Favorite Genre	Select List	Select your favorite	Mystery,Romance,Comedy,Hc		<input type="checkbox"/>	
↓	Subscribe to newsle	Checkbox	Check here to opt in			<input type="checkbox"/>	

Web Builder

Web Resources

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Customize > Web Resources)

To help you promote your resources, Aspen offers an easy way to feature them on your discovery layer. No web design or coding skills required! Just enter information about each resource you have, and Aspen will automatically generate a resource page for your patrons to browse.

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Web Builder

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(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Web Builder > Web Resources > Create Web Resources)

- From **Web Builder** → **Web Resources** and click **Add New**.
- Enter the **Name** of the new resource.
- Enter the **URL** for the resource. **This is required.**
- Optional: select **Open in new tab** to have this resource open in a new tab when clicked.
- Upload a **Logo** for the resource, if desired. For a unified look to your resources page, you might consider having logo images of a similar size/orientation.
- Check **Featured?** to feature this resource at the top of your main Web Resources page.
- **Teaser:** Enter a short description for the resource. This will appear next to the resource on the main resource page, so is meant to be a brief introduction. **Maximum text is 512 characters**
- **Description:** Enter a longer description for the resource here. This will appear after users click on a specific resource to find out more information, and can include any additional instructions needed for accessing the resource.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Web Resource' form in the Web Builder. The form includes the following fields and options:

- Name:** A text input field containing 'Mango Languages'.
- URL:** A text input field containing 'https://learn.mangolanguages.com/login?gymToken=dR2_OrTo5LZncbchTzmpnA&r=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.westchesterlibrarie'.
- Open In New Tab:** A checkbox that is checked.
- Logo:** A section with a 'Select an image...' button and a text input field containing 'logoMango_Languages-1.jpg'. Below this is a 'Remove' button.
- Featured?:** A checkbox that is checked.
- Teaser:** A text area with a rich text editor toolbar. The text entered is 'Learn a new language with your library card!'. A word count at the bottom right indicates '8 WORDS POWERED BY TINY'.
- Description:** A text area with a rich text editor toolbar. The text entered is 'Personalized, adaptive language-learning for over 70 world languages, English as a second language courses for speakers from 21 different countries, plus Spanish language for business, legal, medical, and more. | Aprendizaje de idiomas personalizado y adaptable para más de 70 idiomas del mundo, cursos de inglés como segundo idioma para hablantes de 21 países diferentes, además de español para negocios, asuntos legales, médicos y más.'



Web Builder

Web Resources








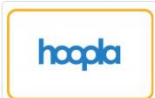


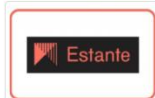

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Web Builder > Web Resources > Create Web Resources)

The next few options are:

- **In Library Use Only:** This option will add an *In Library Use Only* note and will check the accessing IP to see if the user is within the library building.
- **Requires Library Card:** This option will add a *This resource requires a library card to use it* note to the users.
- **Requires Being Logged In To Access, Unless in Library:** This option will require users to log in before accessing the resource link, unless they're already in the library.
- Select any **Audience** or **Categories** for this resource. Web Resources will appear when users switch the main search index from "in Library Catalog" to "in Library Website." Assigning audiences and categories can help users filter search results to find resources within specific categories or geared toward certain audiences. [Click here to learn more about audiences and categories.](#)
- Select the Libraries where this web resource page should display.
- Save your changes.

Research & Learn

Featured Resources



Resources by Category

› Arts and Music

› Homework Help

› Languages and Culture

Mango Languages



Personalized, adaptive language-learning for over 70 world languages, English as a second language courses for speakers from 21 different countries, plus Spanish language for business, legal, medical, and more. | Aprendizaje de idiomas personalizado y adaptable para más de 70 idiomas del mundo, cursos de inglés como segundo idioma para hablantes de 21 países diferentes, además de español para negocios, asuntos legales, médicos y más.

This resource requires a library card to use it.

[Open Resource](#)

Audience

Everyone

Category

Languages and Culture



Web Builder

Web Resources

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Once you've built your Web Resources page, you can preview the page Aspen generates by appending this to the end of your catalog URL:

/WebBuilder/ResourcesList

For example: <https://opac.westchesterlibraries.org/WebBuilder/ResourcesList>

Once you have your web resources page finalized, you'll need to add a menu link to the page for your users to find it. You can simply add that URL alias above to the URL field when you create the link.


Web Builder

Web Pages

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Web Builder > Basic and Custom Web Pages)

You can create pages that look great with a variety of content options at your disposal with no coding knowledge whatsoever. Whether you want to create a few pages to supplement your catalog or build out your library's entire website in Aspen, you have options!

WEB BUILDER

- Basic Pages** 
Create basic pages with a simple layout.
- Custom Pages**
Create custom pages with a more complex cell based layout.
- Custom Forms**
Create custom forms within Aspen Discovery for patrons to fill out.
- Web Resources**
Add resources within Aspen Discovery that the library provides.

Web Builder

Web Pages

(Documentation: From Aspen Help Center > Web Builder > Basic and Custom Web Pages)

- From **Web Builder > Basic Pages** and click **Add New**.
- Give your page a title.
- Enter a URL Alias. This must always begin with a forward slash. For example: /bookclub
- The URL alias helps create the URL where the page will be accessed. Once you've finished your page, you can view it (and link to it) by appending the URL alias to the end of your main catalog URL. For example: catalog.mylibrary.org/bookclub
- Enter a teaser description, if desired. If searching within web builder pages is enabled, the teaser will display as a brief description for the page within search results.

Basic Web Builder Pages

[? Documentation](#)

Return to List History Copy Delete

View

Search for a Property

Id ? 🔒
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Title ? 🔒

URL Alias (no domain, should start with /) ? 🔒

Teaser ? 🔒

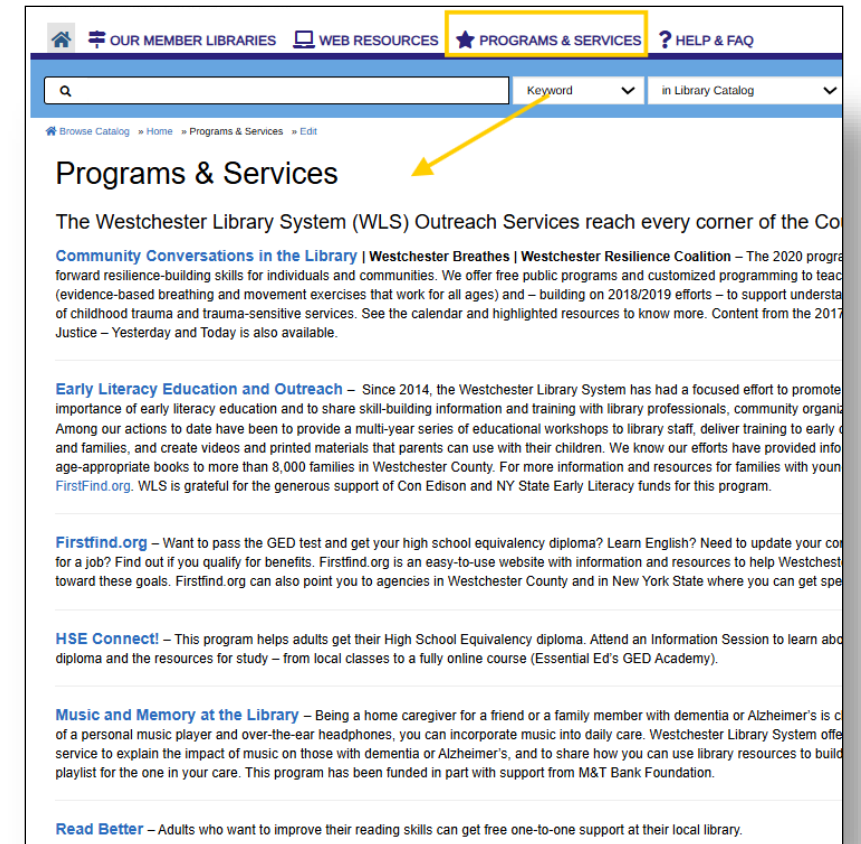
Web Builder

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- Next, the page contents: this is where the fun begins! In this box, you can add and format text, upload images, and more.
- **Require login to access:** Only check this box if you want to restrict this page to users who are logged into Aspen Discovery. Once selected, you can even narrow down the access to specific patron types. This means you could potentially create pages that only staff have access to!
- **Audience and Categories:** Select any audiences or categories that apply to the page. If your library has enabled searching within web builder pages, the Audiences and Categories will appear as search facets patrons can use to narrow down to specific website content.
- **Libraries:** Select the library (or libraries) this page should be associated with. **If no libraries are selected, you will not be able to view the page.**
- Don't forget to save your changes periodically!
- Your page is technically "live" as soon as you create it. However, no one will know about the page until you directly link to it either somewhere on your catalog or on your library website.

Note: that if you're linking to a web builder page anywhere else in Aspen, all you need to do is enter in the URL alias for the link. This way, even if your main catalog URL changes, your links will continue to function.



ASPEN DISCOVERY SUPPORT

- **Help Center** (<https://help.aspendiscovery.org/>)
- **IT Wiki** (<https://it.westchesterlibraries.org/aspen-administrators/>)
- **IT Help Desk** (support@wlsmail.org)

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