



Northwest District
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BRIDGES



It's Time For New Libraries To Join Bridges!

Several Iowa libraries have been anxiously awaiting the word that the **BRIDGES** RFP process is complete because they're ready to join the group as a member library. And frankly, current members have been patiently waiting to renew their annual subscription, too.

Well, the time has come! A new contract with OverDrive has been signed. This year's process took much longer than expected, but now we're able to move on

to the next step.

Joining For New BRIDGES Members

This year, you'll be using the same system you've been using to sign your **Enrich Iowa Agreements**. New participants will have until **September 15, 2021** to complete the [New Member Letter of Agreement](#). Then we'll be in contact with another agreement and to gather the information needed to set up patron authentication.

Your first-year [membership fee](#) plus the \$400.00 startup fee will be billed once your library has been launched on **BRIDGES**. Remember, the form linked above is only for libraries joining **BRIDGES** for the first time.

Renewing For Current BRIDGES Members

For libraries that are current **BRIDGES** members, renewing membership this year will be done using the same system, but a different form. And a different due date: please note that current **BRIDGES** libraries must renew by completing their [Letter of Agreement for Current Participants](#) by September 1, 2021.

New Invoicing Process, Too

The **BRIDGES Team** is also working on a new invoicing process. Instructions dealing with the coming invoices will be sent out when all that is ready. As announced last fall, your annual membership will be the same amount as last year. You can find that amount on the [BRIDGES section](#) of the State Library

Questions? Contact Us!



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