

What is an Educator Pack?

An Educator Pack is a collection of books specially curated by library staff. These packs allow local teachers to take advantage of the wide variety of educational and supplemental materials in NPL's collections. Educators may request one pack every six weeks. The number of items in each Educator Pack is dependent on subject availability and the discretion of library staff. These Educator Pack materials may be checked out only with Educator Cards.

Can I give library staff a list of titles to add to my Educator Pack?

Pack requests should be subject-oriented and thematic in nature (e.g., spring, marsupials, France, healthy eating). But you may use your Educator Card to place a large number of specific titles on hold!

What if I want to search for Educator Pack materials independently or if I want only specific titles?

Educators are encouraged to choose their own materials. Librarians are available by appointment to provide an overview of library resources and to discuss effective search strategies.

Can I request an Educator Pack in the summer?

At this time, staff can only coordinate and organize Educator Packs between August 15 – May 1. But instructors can use their Educator Cards to borrow resources to supplement summer classes.

How long does it take for Normal Public Library staff to assemble an Educator Pack?

Seven business days.

How will I be notified when my Educator Pack is ready?

Library staff will contact you by email.

Where do I pick up my Educator Pack?

The Children's Information Desk (floor 2), or call 309.452.1757 to arrange to pick up your books using the Curb It service.

How long can I keep my Educator Pack materials?

Six weeks.

Where do I return my Educator Pack?

Please return books from your pack to the sorter on the first floor. Hand the tote bag to any staff member to check in for you.

Who should I contact with questions about this service?

Please contact Randi Sutter, Children's Outreach Librarian, with questions or feedback.
rsutter@normalpl.org | 309.454.4668