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## Recombobulate with PBS

Dear educators,

A sign at Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport designates a "Recombobulation Area," for travelers after they pass through security and gather their belongings. Sometimes August feels like a "recombobulation area" as we transition from summer adventures to school plans.

PBS Wisconsin Education is here to help with ready-to-go resources for a successful school year, including:

- [\*Powwow Bound: A Menominee Homecoming\*](#), a new digital game
- Classroom-ready content from *Reading Buddies* to support Act 20 requirements

Want to dive deeper into PBS resources and share them with others? Apply for the PBS Wisconsin Educator Ambassador Cohort!

Finally, check out a story featuring Wisconsin educators using AI in innovative ways.

Happy exploring!

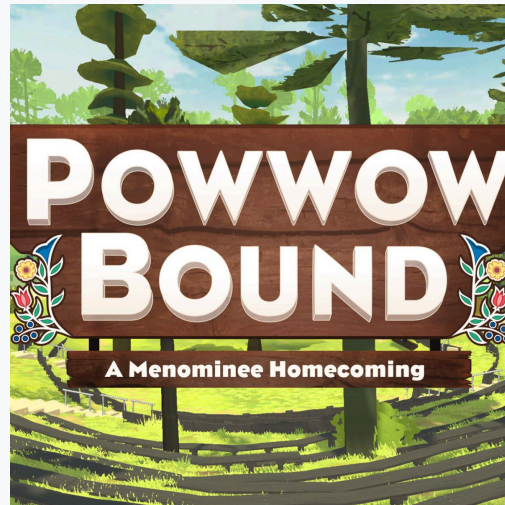


Your partner in education,  
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## Play *Powwow Bound*

The new game, [\*Powwow Bound: A Menominee Homecoming\*](#), follows DJ, a teen who's reconnecting with her roots. Players learn about the culture and traditions of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin. Check out the educator guide for guiding questions, a Menominee glossary, and more. **(Grades 3-8)**



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## Foundational literacy

The [\*Reading Buddies\*](#) show, featuring Dott and Dusty the dog, is a great tool to help teach phonemic awareness, letter sounds, and other foundational literacy skills. Find show clips with writing practice sheets on [PBS LearningMedia](#) for beginning readers or readers who need extra support.

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## Be a PBS ambassador!

Apply for the Educator Ambassador Cohort, a paid opportunity to learn about, use, and share PBS Wisconsin Education resources with learners and other educators. Choose between the Wisconsin Media and Science Connections tracks. [Apply by September 8!](#)





## Navigating new technology

As AI becomes more prevalent in both personal and work life, two Wisconsin Teachers of the Year are meeting the moment with curiosity, innovation, and creativity. [Read the story](#) to learn how they're leveraging new tech while acknowledging its limitations.

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## Behind the scenes with PBS Wisconsin Education

### Kindness Curriculum Cohort kicks off

The Kindness Cohort recently gathered for its first session. Participants will be exploring well-being strategies and PBS resources for cultivating kindness in their learning spaces.





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