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SCOOLS Union – ILL News – September 2007

SCOOLS Program Updates

September 12, 2007 - The “SCOOLS” component School Library System directors defined a number of objectives for the cooperative interlibrary loan and union databases for school year 2007-2008. Most School Library System union catalogs merge the holdings of the constituent school libraries in their respective regions. This merged database is either static until the next merge is completed, or updated manually by adding and deleting individual holdings that librarians provide on lists or diskettes. This model exists because School Library Systems provide ILL resource sharing service to technologically diverse libraries; each of which has the option to select a preferred library automation program. Static union catalogs can respond to most demands in the course of the school year, but do not reflect the current school library holdings. Manually updated union catalogs are more accurate, but the process is both tedious and expensive.

Dynamic Union Database Updating

The SCOOLS initiative will implement changes that will make it easier to update union catalog holdings. Programmers modified the directory to enable School Library Systems to establish hierarchical security. Security parameters enable SLS to allow staff to have specific rights to specific functions at specific locations. These functions will be expanded to include the full range of OPALS building level functionality.

Each School Library System administrator and authorized staff will have access to the system’s powerful import and merge program. The import-merge utility uploads and merges current acquisitions from diskettes or vendor-emailed files, from libraries. Each School Library System can update their respective region’s holdings incrementally to provide a dynamically updated union database for interlibrary loan and Z39.50 access to MARC bibliographic records. This functionality is available and SLS staff can start using it on September 20, 2007.

Building level libraries will be able to submit electronic deletion lists that School Library System staff can upload to the union database for processing. OPALS automated schools can do this easily enough... and an online, password-protected, location-specific form will be available for other automation system users to either scan or manually enter deleted items’ barcodes that SLS staff can process. This automated process will be in addition to manual holdings deletions.

2007 - 2008 Data Upload & Merge

We have completed the upload and indexing of SLS data. There are over 1,170,000 unique titles and more than 3,300,000 holdings in the SCOOLS union catalog... one of the largest school library media center databases in New York State.

ILL Orientation Slide Presentation

Librarians can view an ILL orientation slide presentation at this OPALS link: <http://opals-na.org/ILLOverview/ILLOverview.html>

SCOOOLS OPAC – District Scoping

The OPAC search filter permits an additional level for searching

SCOOOLS Region
School Library System
District (This is a new level)
Building

The screenshot shows the search filter interface with the following elements:

- System:** GST East [GSTE]
- District:** Elmira City School District [ECSD]
- Library:** - All - (dropdown menu is open, showing a list of districts)
- Search Filter:** anywhere
- Buttons:** Search Filter, Advanced Search
- Map:** A 3D map of the region with green buildings.
- Text:** Resource Sharing, Video & DVD Media Disclaimer

The dropdown menu for Library is open, showing the following options:

- Elmira City School District [ECSD]
- Elmira Heights Central School District [EHCS]
- Horseheads Central School District [HHCS]
- Non-Public School [NPS]
- Odessa-Montour Central School District [OMCS]
- School Library System [GST]
- Spencer-Van Etten Central School District [SVCS]
- Watkins Glen Central School District [WGCS]
- Waverly Central School District [WACS]

Select & Search by School District

The screenshot shows the search filter interface with the following elements:

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The dropdown menu for Library is open, showing the following options:

- All -
- Beecher Elementary [EBEC]
- Broadway Elementary [EBRE]
- Broadway Middle [EBRJ]
- Diven Elementary [EDIV]
- Elmira Free Academy [EEFA]
- Ernie Davis Middle School [EEDA]
- Fassett Elementary [EFAS]
- Hendy Avenue Elementary [EHAS]
- Parley Coburn Elementary [EPAC]
- Pine City Elementary [EPIN]
- Riverside Elementary [ERIV]
- Southside High [ESHS]
- Washington Elementary [EWAS]

Select & Search Individual School

Login - Search

When you select and login to a specific location (ex. Broome, Owego Apalachin S.D., Owego Free Academy), the system retains that location as its default. You can search that location and scope out to any other level. The system will "remember" your login coordinate as "My Library."

Login

Union: South Central Organization Of (School) Library Systems ▾

System: Broome-Tioga Boces [BDT] ▾

District: Owego Apalachin Central School District [OA] ▾

Library: Owego Free Academy (high School) [OAA] ▾

Username: asdfgg

Password:

Login to a specific location

Owego Free Academy (high School)
Search Filter
Advanced Search

My Library
South Central Organization Of (School) Library Systems
C.E.R.F.
NOVEL-Databases
Quest-All

Title(s) selected for bibliography: 0 Library records 1-20 of 31... Click on other tabs above to search other sources.

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Call Number	Title	Author	Date	Holding Info
<input type="checkbox"/> VC 385 Nat	The natural corridor: New York's transportation history.		c1999.	OAA (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Ref 974.7 Kin	Early Owego	Kingman, LeRoy Wilson	1987.	OAA (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Ref 700.89 Enc v.1	Encyclopedia of the Harlem Renaissance		2004.	OAA (2)
<input type="checkbox"/> OAAANF 342.747 New	New York and the Union		c1990.	OAA (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> OAAANF 974.747 Car	My kind of country: favorite writings about New York	Carmer, Carl Lamson	1966.	OAA (1)
<input type="checkbox"/> OAAANF 974.7 Ulm	New Yorkers from Stuyvesant to Roosevelt.	Ulmann, Albert	c1928.	OAA (1)

Scoped union catalog building search displays only that library's holdings

Call Number	Bar Code	System	District	School
OAAANF 974.7 Inn	39942000411924	BDT	OA	OAA
OAAANF 974.7 Inn	39942000411916	BDT	OA	OAA

Search result holdings detail for a specific location

South Central Organization Of (School) Library Systems

Search Filter
Advanced Search

anywhere Search

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[NOVEL-Databases](#)
[Quest-All](#)

Title(s) selected for bibliography: 0 Library records 1-20 of 137... Click on other tabs above to search other sources.
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Call Number	Title	Author	Date	Holding Info
<input type="checkbox"/>	013.89 New	New York State local history: a checklist of selected resources		1984.	BDT (1)
<input type="checkbox"/>	327 Whi	The little toy dog: the story of the two RB-47 flyers, Captain John R. McKone and Captain Freeman B. Olmstead.	White, William Lindsay	1962.	GSTE (1)
<input type="checkbox"/>	340.097 HEN	Lawyers and the Law in New York.	Henke, Jack.	1979.	BDT (1)
<input type="checkbox"/>	340.097 NEW	There Shall Be A Court Of Appeals		c1996.	BDT (1)
<input type="checkbox"/>	363.6 Gal	Liquid assets: a history of New York City's water system	Galusha, Diane.	c1999.	DCMO (1), ONC (1)
<input type="checkbox"/>	363.6 Gal	Liquid assets: a history of New York City's water system	Galusha, Diane.	2002.	ONC (1)

Search from OAA location - redirected to the entire SCOLS Database

Interlibrary Loan Request Sequence from Location "OAA"

1. Click on the "Title" link of the item to request... expanded record displays:

Record Information


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[Reserve](#)
[ILL Request](#)

Bibliographic Information		Medium				
Title	Liquid assets :					
Subtitle	a history of New York City's water system /					
Series title						
Author	Galusha, Diane.					
Summaries		Call Number	Bar Code	System	District	School
Subject	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water-supply -- engineering -- New York(State) -- New York-History Water-supply -- New York(State) -- New York -- History 	363.6 Gal	1R000007985	ONC	ROD	RO
		363.6 Gal	DCMD02264	DCMO	DOD	DO

2. Click "ILL Request" on the "Record Information" screen

ILL Requests

Title: Liquid assets: a history of New York City's water system
Author: Galusha, Diane.

	System		District		Library	
	Code	Name	Code	Name	Code	Name
Responders:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DCMO	DCMO BOCES SLS	DOD	Downsville	DO	Downsville
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ONC	ONC BOCES SLS	ROD	Roxbury CSD	RO	Roxbury Central
Expiry Date:	2007-09-28 					
Public Note:	Please send by courier service...					
Private Note:	Requested by Ellen Allan					

[Submit Request](#)

3. Select locations from which to borrow - Enter expiry date & notes - Click "Submit Request"

ILL Request & Response Management



Select desired function from the “drop-down” tab above

South Central Organization Of (School) Library Systems Search Filter
Advanced Search

anywhere

ILL Requests

ILL ID	Title/Description	Author	Responder	Dates	Status
110	The sharkout boys and the Baconburg horror	Pinkwater, Daniel Manus	Owego Middle School (BDT/OA/OAE)	Requested: 2007-09-12 Expiry: 2007-10-12	Open

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Display “My Requests” made from the logged-in location - click on “ILL ID”# to view details

ILL Responses

ILL ID	Title/Description	Author	Requester	Dates	Status
116	The lovely bones: a novel	Sebold, Alice.	Vestal High School (BDT/VL/VLA)	Requested: 2007-09-12 Expiry: 2007-10-12	Open
56	The final prophecies of Nostradamus	Cheetham, Erika.	Newark Valley High School (BDT/NV/NVA)	Requested: 2007-09-11 Expiry: 2007-10-11	Open

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Display “My Responses” to view requests that have been sent to the logged-in location

ILL Response Form

ILL ID:	116
Status:	Open
Title/Description:	The lovely bones: a novel
Author:	Sebold, Alice.
Call Number:	F SEB Fic Seb F SEB F SEB F SEB F SEB
Requester:	System: Broome-Tioga Boces [BDT] District: Vestal Central School District [VL] Library: Vestal High School [VLA] Requested by: Sue Geary Request date: 2007-09-12 Expiry date: 2007-10-12
Responder(s):	System: Broome-Tioga Boces [BDT] District: Johnson City Central School District [JY] Library: Johnson City High School [JYA] System: Broome-Tioga Boces [BDT] District: Maine Endwell Central School District [ME] Library: Maine-Endwell High School [MEA] System: Broome-Tioga Boces [BDT] District: Owego Apalachin Central School District [OA] Library: Owego Free Academy (high School) [OAA]
Due Date:	<input type="text"/> 
Public Note:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px;"></div>
Private Note:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px;"></div>
Reject Fill Remind Renew Receive Print Slip Note Report Lost Report Found	

Click on an ILL ID # - View ILL Response Form - Click "Fill" or "Reject" Forms include communication / transaction history

ILL Requests

Description:

System Code	System Name
<input type="checkbox"/> BDT	Broome-Tioga Boces
<input type="checkbox"/> CAY	Cayuga-Onondaga SLS
<input type="checkbox"/> DCMO	DCMO BOCES SLS
<input type="checkbox"/> GSTE	GST East
<input type="checkbox"/> GSTW	GST West
<input type="checkbox"/> ONC	ONC BOCES SLS
<input type="checkbox"/> TST	Tompkins-Seneca-Tioga BOCES

Expiry Date:

Public Note:

Private Note:

[Submit Request](#)

Manual request Form

(year) (month) (year) (month)
 from 2006 to 2007

Owego Free Academy (OAA) ILL Stats Report from 2006-6-1 to 2007-5-31

Materials BORROWED													
	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Total
Within Boces	1	0	0	9	0	5	3	0	3	2	0	0	23
Other Boces	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	8
Manually	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	0	11	0	7	3	0	3	6	0	0	31
Unfilled	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	7

Materials LOANED													
	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Total
Within Boces	0	0	0	1	40	1	0	2	3	9	5	0	61
Other Boces	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	4
Total	0	0	0	1	40	2	0	2	4	10	6	0	65

My Requests					
Open	Filled	Returned	Cancelled	Rejected	Expired
0	31	31	0	7	0

Building level ILL transaction statistics

Union Database Import & Merge Utility

Participating libraries can submit new acquisitions that authorized School Library System staff can upload and merge into the union database.

Importing Records

Select a file:

Options: Automatically merge Manually merge New

Mapping Fields 949-to-852: Yes No

Removing Fields 949: Yes No

Union: South Central Organization Of (School) Library Systems

System: Broome-Tioga Boces [BDT]

District: - None -

Library: - None -

File	User	Date	Library	Option	Mapping 949-to-852	Removing 949	Imported	Merged	Veto	Pending	Total	Status
179	Admin Admin	2007-08-16 12:55:32	/union/TST/_/_	autoMerge	yes	yes	1280	2798	0	0	4078	Done
178	Admin Admin	2007-08-16 12:55:13	/union/TST/_/_	autoMerge	yes	yes	10964	39036	0	0	50000	Done
177	Admin Admin	2007-08-16 12:54:24	/union/TST/_/_	autoMerge	yes	yes	17124	32876	0	0	50000	Done
176	Admin Admin	2007-08-16 12:53:42	/union/TST/_/_	autoMerge	yes	yes	23160	26840	0	0	50000	Done
175	Admin Admin	2007-08-16 12:52:53	/union/TST/_/_	autoMerge	yes	yes	30489	19511	0	0	50000	Done

Record Import & Merge Utility

“SCOOLES” is a cooperative open source initiative of the following New York State School Library Systems:

- Broome-Tioga
- Cayuga-Onondaga
- Delaware-Chenango-Madison
- Greater Southern Tier
- Otsego-Northern Catskills
- Tomkins-Seneca-Tioga

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