OPALS
Wherever high school students go, there you are!

OPALS 24/7 Info-Broadcasting-Tech reaches students with resources they want

Produce creative & relevant portals - Update them easily & often

No coding necessary - Use OPALS broadcast studio utilities - We show you how
OPALS Pathfinders
Focused resource guides for students & teachers.

- Analytical non-fiction
- Careers
- Computer Science - Artificial Intelligence
- Critical Thinking
- Internet Resources Group
- E-Books
- Storytelling to Teach Robots Right and Wrong Worksheet
- List Web resources
- OPAC citations link to Pathfinders

The Pathfinder template makes it easy to author these beautiful teaching & learning resources. You can author these collaboratively with colleagues or give them rights to author and save their own. Pathfinder links can be posted on any page.
OPALS OPAC
Choices for your members

Easy - Advanced - Google Extensions - Mobile-friendly

EASY SEARCH - for students in a hurry

- Choose "Anywhere" (keyword) or choose a field to search

- Enter keyword(s) to search

- Autocomplete lists records containing keyword(s)

- Brief citations show basic resource & media descriptions & status including eBooks

- Search results can be sorted

- Select items to add to the integrated bibliography utility
- Expanded citations display detailed information - Hyperlinked subject, author, series data, pathfinder & genre/topic lists when so designated - mobile scan QR code

- Virtual shelf browser display - Similar Items listing

ADVANCED SEARCH - for students on a research mission

- Searches can be filtered to find specific formats (ex. books & eBooks)

- Sort results by date, author, title, relevance, call number, location, review date, rating

- Select items for lists or bibliographies

- Click any title to view an expanded record
OPAC Faceted Search Analyzer
An academic research filter

Faceted searching is an academic research filter that analyzes OPAC search results. Analysis includes: Language, media format, prefixes, call numbers, subject, author, era, genre, reading levels.

- The OPAC integrated bibliographic utility has many options
- Create APA or MLA8 Bibliographies
- Manually add items used other libraries
- Author resource lists, print call numbers, include summaries & content notes to for teachers and students
- Print, email, save, or export to Zotero (a bibliographic utility used by many academic libraries)

Bibliography Citation Station

OPALS Bibliography Citation Station is a portlet that you can place on OPALS portals wherever it will be seen and convenient for students to use. Add an ISBN or title to pull in bibliographic data needed, click “Cite” and the citation is made. Students can add to the list until it is completed, then print, email or save it.

Configure the “discovery search” to find resources in other libraries, information databases and the Internet.
Opals Opac & Google™ Extensions are Connected!
Inserts Your Library Content Into Google Search Results

Mouse-over library images to view pop-up citations - Click to view item details
Browse Google search results

Virtual Genre Walls feature your students' favorite & relevant topical collections

24/7 Research Skills Tutorials & Videos
Patron initiated reviews & ratings... no limits to the number of review characters

Add "Webmix" Collections to your Library Portal

Encourage interactive community awareness literacy
Support instruction using authentic information video, Web and library resources

- Detailed resource request tracking
- Email communications
- Academic level reserve management

Teachers’ Advanced Booking & Reserve Management Module
Provide resources that teachers need - when their students need them
Digital Resources Management

EBook Management
- OPALS cataloged free eBook s
- Manage eBooks from vendors
- Digital Rights Management

Bookmark pages - Personal portfolio notes

Create a personal bookshelf

Catalog & save digital documents - PDF, JPEG, etc.

Video on demand Access Options
Single login
- Student – Teacher ID Authentication
- Static IP Authentication
Organize Databases – Sort options – Single login, student login, static IP access – Use vendors’ native search engine

Discovery Search multiple databases AND the local catalog

Feature-rich Circulation Management

Use existing barcodes or RFID tags

Equipment – IT Asset Management

Textbook – Bookroom Management
Equipment / IT Asset Management Module

Manage assets at one or many locations

Detailed Asset Descriptions

Track loans & history

Print Barcodes - Inventory - Print or Export CSV Reports - Manufacturers’ Authority Table - Item Category Authority Table - Import Images - Link to Manufacturers’ Online Manuals
Textbook / Bookroom Management Module

Enter or import textbook data - Barcode tracking - Link Textbooks to Courses - Link Teachers to Courses

Records transactions and history - Textbook Status - Active - Missing - Damaged - Lost

Fast and Easy Transaction Processing

Inventory - Status Lists - Overdue Notices - Fines & Fine Payment Management - Barcode printing - Import CSV Data - Export CSV Data & Reports - Batch Deletion Utility - Statistics - Global Data Updating

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