



INFOhio Project Targets for SchoolRooms

<p style="text-align: center;">Summer 2005</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> INFOhio collaboration with SirsiDynix to develop K-12 School Rooms initiated. Earth Science, U.S. History, and Parent Rooms for elementary, middle, and high school levels are selected as an initial pilot launch. 19 contributors selected and trained. Contributors developed taxonomies and selected content for the pilot. Based on content identified, SchoolRooms pilot portal is built by SirsiDynix. Contributors reviewed SchoolRooms and made recommendations. SchoolRooms published on the web by SirsiDynix. Promotional materials developed. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Fall/Winter 2005</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Necessary software installed at the INFOhio Technical Support site in Lima, OH to use as a test database. Pilot plan is developed to utilize, test, and evaluate the SchoolRooms developed. INFOhio technical review occurs; concerns and issues are addressed by SirsiDynix. Pilot occurs in the Shaker Heights City School District to test SchoolRooms functionality and usability in partnership with Kent State University (KSU). INFOhio, KSU, and Shaker Heights provide feedback and evaluate SchoolRooms pilot.
<p style="text-align: center;">Spring/Summer 2006</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on successful pilot and usability results, a plan for continued development is mutually agreed upon by INFOhio and SirsiDynix. INFOhio begins to assess consortia requirements of SchoolRooms and SingleSearch. 140 Ohio educators (teachers and librarians) are selected to attend a 2 ½ day workshop at KSU to develop 62 additional SchoolRooms for the K-12 curriculum: Fine Arts, Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, Technology, and Using the Library, with additional SchoolRooms for Career & College, Children & YA Literature, Educator's Guide, and Librarian's Guide. Contributors developed taxonomies and selected content (nearly 23,000 websites) for the additional Rooms. 	<p style="text-align: center;">Fall - Spring 2006</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SchoolRooms content proofed and packaged into a new portal by SirsiDynix. INFOhio and SirsiDynix work together to develop a plan for delivery of SchoolRooms statewide. INFOhio and SirsiDynix work together in maintaining SchoolRooms content for all SirsiDynix customers. Phase 1 deployment with Shaker Heights City School District and Kalida Local School District to test full K-12 SchoolRooms curriculum. SingleSearch pilot with 1-2 selected school districts to test federated searching. SirsiDynix markets and delivers SchoolRooms nationally. Pilot results are reviewed. Consortia requirements are addressed by SirsiDynix; INFOhio plans to deploy SchoolRooms in 2007-08.

INFOhio is committed to a vision of transforming teaching and learning by connecting educational resources with the power of information technology. As such, INFOhio is pleased to work together with SirsiDynix in the development of SchoolRooms. SchoolRooms provide the K-12 community with reliable and authoritative resources for school assignments and research, tied to school goals and student achievement.

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