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INFOhio's new OPAC: Looking for a home!

INFOhio is using the 2007-2008 school year to continuing development of a new online public access catalog (OPAC) for older users. Code-named **New CAT**, the OPAC is for all INFOhio automated schools. **New CAT** is hunting for library materials in almost all Ohio [Information Technology Centers \(ITCs\)](#) and can be used instead of the current CAT interface; CAT Jr. is not affected.

INFOhio hopes to have broad-based use of **New CAT** by students, parents and educators. A feedback site is monitored for comments and suggestions for improvements. After hearing from the INFOhio community, **New CAT** is tentatively scheduled to replace the current CAT for the 2008-2009 school year. Check out **New CAT** and let us know what you think! [Read more...](#)

New titles added to Digital Video Collection



Several new titles have recently been added to the [Ohio Area Instructional Media Centers' \(OAIMC\) Digital Video Collection \(DVC\)](#), making this service even more valuable for Ohio's PreK-12 educators, students and parents.

Programs can be streamed, downloaded or ordered as CD media. Home access is provided with the same username and password required for [INFOhio's Core Collection of Electronic Resources](#).



Among the new titles for 2007-2008 are programs from three series:

- *Financial Fitness for Young Adults*
- *Our Ohio: Exploring Our Heritage* (additional titles from the [Ohio Farm Bureau Federation](#))
- *The Working World for Young Adults*

Fall Update PowerPoint posted to Web site

[Using INFOhio to Impact Student Learning](#), INFOhio's in-service overview for 2007-2008, has been added to the [Slide Library](#) section of the [INFOhio Toolkit](#). This 60-slide PowerPoint presentation works as a tutorial for library staff to keep current. Use the slides' *Notes* to find talking points and details that supplement the slides. Many slides have hotspots that make live demonstrations convenient. Changes are listed in the notes to Slide 1. Also, check the Toolkit's [What's New for the 2007-2008 School Year](#) to learn about changes to the Core Collection and other INFOhio products and services.

Don't miss these upcoming Prof. Development Opportunities...

- [TRAILS](#), IVDL session. September 27, 2007, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- [INFOhio / NWOET Social Studies Alignment Workshops](#). October 12 and 13, 2007. Registration deadline extended through October 3, 2007.
- [INFOhio Fall Update](#), IVDL session. October 15, 2007, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- [INFOhio Train the Trainer Britannica Workshop](#). November 7, 2007. This free session is conducted by Britannica's Hilit Kravitz. Space is limited, so early registration is a must!

Important News, Stories and More Links



Thanks to all who have taken time to test **INFOsearch** and provide comments to INFOhio! Encourage wide use of **INFOsearch** during this evaluation year, including the brief survey that pops up at the conclusion of each session. [Read more...](#)



The 2007 OELMA Conference, [I3: Inspiration / Innovation / Invention](#), October 17-19, will have INFOhio involved with sessions, in the exhibit hall, and with staff to answer questions and take your suggestions. [List of INFOhio sessions and resources...](#)