# INFOhio
## OHIO'S PreK-12 DIGITAL LIBRARY

## Library Automation
## Feature Comparison Worksheet

| INFOhio and SirsiDynix Symphony Features | INFOhio | |
|---|---|---|
| **Online Catalog** | | |
| ➢ Two versions – CAT for older students and CAT Jr. for younger students allows patrons to perform real-time searching and view up-to-date item availability. The catalog is customizable with school slogan and mascot. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Accessible from any computer with Internet access. | ✓ | |
| ➢ BookMyne mobile app available for iPhone, iPad or iPod Touch to easily search the library catalog. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Special searches include Visual Search, Reading Program (AR, Reading Counts, Lexiles) and Boolean searching. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Search screen includes New Titles, Librarian Favorites, Most Popular Titles and Most Popular Authors. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Enhanced content includes book jackets, table of contents and reviews. Also recommended reading lists and best seller lists. | ✓* ★ | |
| ➢ INFOhio Digital Video Collection and INFOhio eBook Collection can be accessed from CAT, the library catalog interface designed for older students | ✓ | |
| ➢ Podcasts (oral or video book reviews) can be linked to the records. | ✓ | |
| ➢ E-book records have direct link to item. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Bookbag feature allows patrons to e-mail or print list of selected items. | ✓ | |
| ➢ My Account – students can view checkouts and bills, place holds or renew items according to school policy. | ✓ | |
| ➢ ChiliFresh Review Engine ready. Optionally subscribe to ChiliFresh interactive book reviews. | ✓ ▲ | |
| ➢ Discovery Portal – link from catalog to INFOhio's portal containing curriculum-aligned content, educator-selected websites, videos and more. Options to explore and search are divided by age level and subject. Includes federated search of select INFOhio electronic resources and the AMC Digital Video Collection. Faceted searching allows easy expansion or narrowing of search results. | ✓ | |
| **Cataloging** | | |
| ➢ Easy Z39.50 copy cataloging - unlimited access to millions of MARC records including INFOhio's Curriculum Resource Catalog, Library of Congress and OCLC WorldCat. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Templates that allow "fill in the blank" cataloging for equipment, local items or those with no MARC record available. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Authority Control – standardizes author, series, uniform title and subject headings in your records. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Your ITC loads records from all vendors and assists with any record exports/imports as needed. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Textbook Management – catalog and circulate your textbooks. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Circulation Set Management – create groups of items either permanently or temporarily that can be checked out with just one scan. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Barcode Validation – helps libraries maintain system consistency and facilitates the use of auto-generated barcodes and barcode shortcuts. | ✓ | |
| **Circulation** | | |
| ➢ Continuous checkout from patron to patron. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Special due dates can be entered for a student, class or the whole day. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Checkin options - fine free checkin, quickly change checkin date to compensate for calamity days. | ✓ | |
| ➢ ITC staff can batch load patrons and schedule automatic updates to keep patron data current with school student information systems. Student photos can also be loaded. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Your ITC staff will help oversee policies and calendars for you. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Offline Circulation module if Internet is down. | ✓ | |
| ➢ StaffWeb – optional Web-based staff station allows circulation without software being installed on the computer. Perfect for subs, classroom use or self-check stations. | ✓* | |
| ➢ Receipt printing available. | ✓ | |
| ➢ Supports district level Inter-library loans. | ✓ | |
| ➢ NCIP compliant for optional participation in OLS: MORE statewide resource sharing. | ✓ ▲ | |

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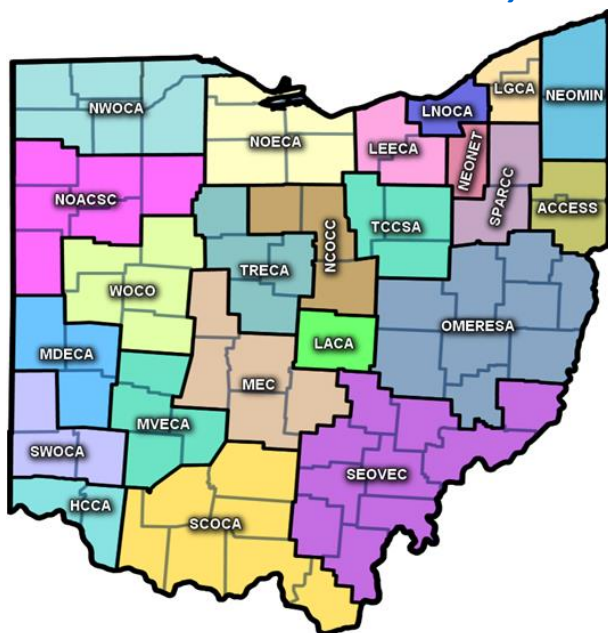
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## INFOhio delivers what an automation system should provide… and more!

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| INFOhio and SirsiDynix Symphony Features | INFOhio | |
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| **Reports** | | |
| ➢ Hundreds of SirsiDynix delivered reports available for staff to use in WorkFlows and StaffWeb. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Plus INFOhio-created reports requested by Ohio librarians. Available in long, short or spreadsheet format. Easily customizable to meet your needs. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Easily print your own barcodes and spine labels. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Frequently utilized reports can be saved as a template and scheduled to run routinely. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Reports can be saved on the workstation or e-mailed to staff, teachers or students. | ✔ | |
| **Inventory** | | |
| ➢ Inventory can be done any time of year, even when the library is open. Help your school manage library materials and resources more effectively. | ✔ | |
| ➢ No special equipment or software needed. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Reports will list missing items and change their status to missing. Your ITC can then delete missing items in batch. | ✔ | |
| **Technical Considerations** | ✔ | |
| ➢ Directions and easy software installation from the Web. PC and Mac compliant – hardware specifications posted on INFOhio's website. | ✔ | |
| ➢ INFOhio automation is a hosted system. Your data is securely stored at your ITC. | ✔ | |
| ➢ No system maintenance to worry about – system backups, upgrades and patches are all done by your ITC. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Licensing is also handled by your ITC. | ✔ | |
| **Support** | | |
| ➢ Complete and up-to-date documentation is available online. Formats include both detailed and brief (flip chart) versions, tips sheets and tutorials or PowerPoints. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Training provided locally by your ITC. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Your local ITC provider is available by phone, e-mail, or Help Desk. Site visits can be requested. | ✔ | |
| ➢ INFOhio listserv can be used to ask questions of other Ohio librarians. Frequent topics include suggested titles for a specific topic, vendor recommendations, library procedures and activity questions. | ✔ | |
| ➢ Opportunities to collaborate and network with your peers – Local and State user groups meet regularly. | ✔ | |
| ➢ INFOhio is a grass roots organization. Your opinions are sought and encouraged in the development of our product. | ✔ | |

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## *Don't wait another day!  Call your ITC Provider for a free demonstration.*



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## Directory of ITC Service Providers

http://www.infohio.org/library/automation