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American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

- The State Library of Ohio announced the launch of the **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)Outreach Grant** initiative. Utilizing Federal ARPA funds, received from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), the State Library of Ohio encouraged Ohio libraries of all types to apply for this competitive grant program revolving around the concept of Outreach. This initiative **closed at 11:59 p.m. on August 1.**
  - Applications were accepted in three categories:
    - **Outreach and Education Proposals** may request between $5,000 and $24,999 in federal funds. Proposals must demonstrate the need for a program or educational initiative to enhance the development of library staff and/or library users.
    - **Community Connections Proposals** may request between $25,000 and $49,999 in federal funds. Proposals must demonstrate a willingness for libraries to meet users where they are in the communities they serve.
    - **Outreach Initiatives Proposals** may request between $50,000 and $100,000 in federal funds. Proposals must demonstrate a large-scale, well-coordinated outreach endeavor on the part of the library.
  - All types of Ohio libraries were eligible to apply for ARPA funds. Applicants could request up to $100,000 in federal funds; due to the nature of ARPA funds, **NO local cash match of the total project cost is required**.
  - Information about the **ARPA Outreach Grant**, including **FAQs**, may be found at: **library.ohio.gov/arpa**.
  - Recommended applications will be presented to the State Library Board for funding in September 2021. Grant contract periods run from November 1, 2021– July 31, 2022.
- For additional ARPA updates delivered directly to your inbox from the State Library, please consider joining the ARPA-OH listserv.

Buckeye Children's and Teen Book Awards

- Buckeye Book Award voting is open from September 1 – November 10 at bcbookaward.info. All Ohioans in grades K-12 are eligible to vote. There is a button for students to vote directly, and a button for teachers and librarians who collect student votes and wish to submit them in bulk.
- Students can also nominate titles for the 2022 awards. Eligible books are first published in 2020 or 2021 and not part of a series that has previously won the award. Nominations run through March 10, 2022. See the Buckeye Book Awards website for details.
- The Buckeye Children's and Teen Book Award program is designed to encourage children in Ohio to read literature critically, to promote teacher and librarian involvement in children's literature programs, and to commend authors of such literature. It was established in 1981 and is a collaborative project of the Ohio Educational Library Media Association, Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts, Ohio Library Council, the Kent State University School of Information, and State Library of Ohio. It is one of the few statewide readers' choice awards in which exclusively students (not adults) nominate titles as well as vote for the winners. Contact Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov with any questions.

Choose to Read Ohio

- The 2021 & 2022 Choose to Read Ohio (CTRO) program cycle is in full swing. The **2021 & 2022 CTRO booklist** features 20 notable titles for all ages and reading levels. The booklist includes five books each for young children, middle grades, teens, and adults, and encompasses fiction and nonfiction and a variety of geographic and cultural interests. Ohio librarians, teachers, and other book experts help to select the biennial CTRO booklist.

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- Readers' toolkits for all 20 of the 2021 & 2022 titles, and for every book featured on previous CTRO booklists, are available for download on the CTRO website (https://library.ohio.gov/ctro). Toolkits include discussion questions, extension activities, author biographies, links, and resources for library program planning, book group use, and individual exploration.
- The **CTRO book widget** provides libraries a customizable platform to showcase books by Ohio authors and illustrators and to provide access to readers' toolkits and more. See it in action at https://library.ohio.gov/ctro and download it here: https://github.com/StateLibraryofOhio/ctro-book-widget.
- CTRO, a project of the State Library of Ohio, Ohioana Library, and Ohio Center for the Book, encourages libraries, schools, families, and others to build a community of readers and an appreciation of Ohio authors, illustrators, and literature. The biennial CTRO booklist spotlights the diversity and quality of Ohio literature. Learn more about CTRO or contact Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov with any questions.

Day By Day Ohio Family Literacy Calendar
- With school back in session, this is a great time to remind families with young children about the **Day By Day Ohio Family Literacy Calendar** at DayByDayOH.org, which features a perpetual calendar with songs, activities, book suggestions, and videos for every day of the year. Day By Day Ohio offers resources to further develop early literacy skills and improve school readiness.
- Day By Day Ohio, a service of the State Library of Ohio in collaboration with Ohio Ready to Read, also includes literacy and health information and an Ohio public library locator map. It is available anytime, anywhere and requires just internet access and a computer, smartphone, or mobile device.

Digital Initiatives
- Stephanie Michaels contributed the following to the Ohio Memory blog: Connecting the State and the Nation: Ohio Canal History

Government Publications
- Government Documents Librarian Elissa Lawrence is working with the Government Publishing Office (GPO) Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) to assist with questions from Ohio depository libraries. Any questions or issues? Email govdocs@library.ohio.gov.
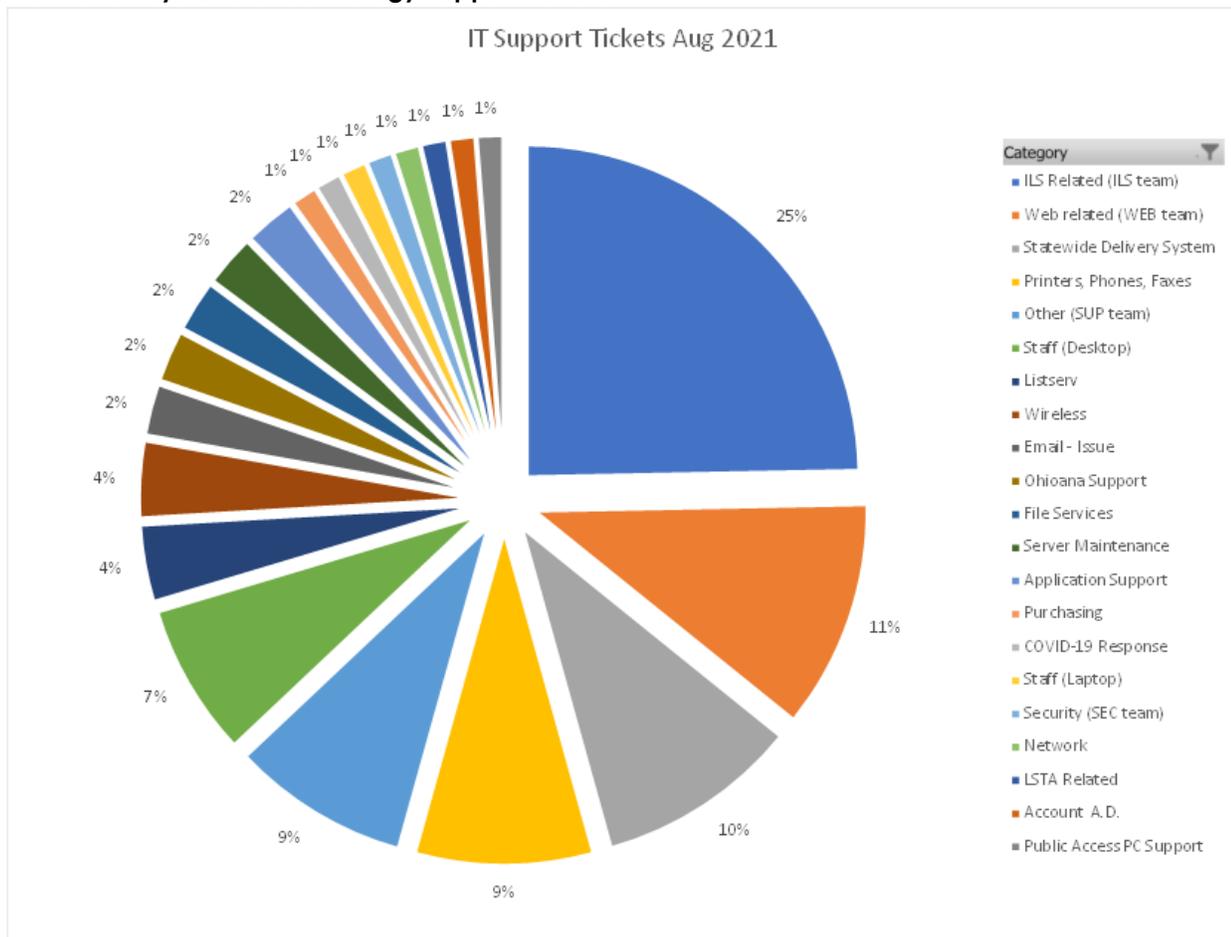
Guiding Ohio Online
- The State Library's **Guiding Ohio Online** program, supported by federal LSTA funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, targets public libraries in Ohio that serve rural populations, in order to help Ohioans develop digital skills needed to fully participate in the digital age.
  - Libraries recommended for funding for the upcoming program year (October 1, 2021-June 30, 2022) were presented to the State Library Board at their July 2021 meeting. They are:
    - Ada Public Library
    - Ashtabula County Library District
    - Cardington-Lincoln Public Library
    - Conneaut Public Library
    - Cuyahoga Falls Library
    - East Palestine Memorial Public Library
    - Guernsey County District Library System
    - Henderson Memorial Public Library
    - Jackson City Library
    - Kingsville Public Library
    - Logan Hocking District County Library
    - Madison Public Library
    - Meigs County District Public Library
    - Pickerington Public Library

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- ▪ Putnam County Public Library
- ▪ Salem Public Library
- ▪ St. Clairsville Public Library
- ▪ Tipp City Public Library
- If you have any questions regarding the funding or budget of Guiding Ohio Online, please contact the LSTA Office at lsta@library.ohio.gov or by calling 800-686-1532 or 614-644-6863.
- If you have any questions regarding Guiding Ohio Online trainers (hiring, best practices, etc.) please contact Anne Kennedy, Technology Consultant, at akennedy@library.ohio.gov or by calling 614-466-1710.

Information Systems & Technology Support Tickets

IT Support Tickets Aug 2021

Category
- ILS Related (ILS team)
- Web related (WEB team)
- Statewide Delivery System
- Printers, Phones, Faxes
- Other (SUP team)
- Staff (Desktop)
- Listserv
- Wireless
- Email - Issue
- Ohioana Support
- File Services
- Server Maintenance
- Application Support
- Purchasing
- COVID-19 Response
- Staff (Laptop)
- Security (SEC team)
- Network
- LSTA Related
- Account A.D.
- Public Access PC Support

Library Leadership Ohio 2021
- Library Leadership Ohio 2021 is in the books. The leadership program, made up of a cohort of 46 library staff members from public, academic, K-12, and special libraries, was held live, online on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons over the span of three weeks in July and August. The event, supported with federal LSTA funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, was facilitated by OhioNet and the State Library of Ohio, with guidance from the LLO 2021 advisory committee.

List of New Acquisitions
- A list of print books, ebooks, and audiobooks recently added to the State Library's collection for August is available on our website at: https://library.ohio.gov/collections/new-books/august-2021/.

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LSTA
- Libraries may apply for an LSTA Open Grant at any time. Information on Open Grants can be found at: https://library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/lsta-grants/#AvailableGrants.
  - o Open grants awarded in the month of August:
    - ▪ Ohio Educational Library Media Association (OELMA)
    - ▪ Tri-State Warbird Museum
    - ▪ University of Akron
- Questions regarding the LSTA program should be addressed to Cindy Boyden, cboyden@library.ohio.gov.

Ohio Digital Library
- In the month of August, ODL has tallied 621,570 checkouts. Thus far, total circulation for 2021 is 4,859,121.
  - o The most popular title was *The Girls in the Stilt House* which was the featured title August 29 through September 3 and checked out over 1,100 times in August. In this 2021 Southern fiction debut novel, murder breaks through the racial divide that separates two teenage girls, forging an unlikely friendship. It's a perfect book for fans of *Where the Crawdads Sing* and *If the Creek Don't Rise*.
  - o Curious about what's being checked out? Take a look at the real-time checkouts and holds.
- Over 2,000 always available, no wait comics and graphic novels have been added to the collection! Start reading your favorite Marvel, Disney, Dark Horse, IDW, and Image comics and graphic novels now.
- In mid-March 2020, ODL enabled the opportunity for Ohioans to take advantage of the Overdrive Instant Digital Card. A user can sign up with his/her phone number and gain quick access to e-content via ODL. Users that sign up via the Instant Digital Card will be directed to their local library to fill out a physical library card. In August 2021, 3,868 registrations took place.
- Have you tried the Libby app yet? Get started today!
  - o Library staff: Register for an OverDrive-led webinar about Libby on September 9 at 11 a.m. Pre-recorded Libby video tutorials are found here.
  - o Have you ordered ODL-branded informational cards for your library?

Ohio Digital Network [Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) Project]
- Through August, the Ohio Digital Network (ODN) now has over **274,000 items** on dp.la. from 26 active contributors.
  - o Through the work of the DPLA programmers, specific collections are now visible in the DPLA portal. Users can now sort and filter by collection, allowing them to see items in context on the DPLA website.
- ODN Usage Analytics through August 23:
  - o https://ohiodigitalnetwork.org/contributors/analytics-dashboard/

Total August Ohio Items Viewed on DPLA Item Pages*	595
Total August Ohio Click Throughs*	397
Total August Ohio Events*	992

- A new blog post has been added to the ODN web site, spotlighting an enhancement of DPLA's web site, which allows you to refine your search by contributor collection.
- SAVE THE DATE: ODNFest 2021 will be held, virtually, on Tuesday, October 19. This is a free event open to all professionals with an interest in digitization and Ohio's cultural heritage. Speaker information and registration link is forthcoming.

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- A new informational video on how things work at ODN and DPLA has been created, and can be accessed here, on the ODN YouTube Channel. Check it out if you've always been curious about these initiatives or would like a refresher.
- Jen Johnson and Penelope Shumaker are available to speak to libraries and cultural heritage institutions about DPLA and ODN. For details, contact Jen Johnson, jjohnson@library.ohio.gov.
- For those interested in being a part of the ODN or who want to learn more, please visit the ODN website and subscribe to the ODN listserv: https://lists.library.ohio.gov/mailman/listinfo/odn.
- Questions on DPLA or the Ohio Digital Network should be addressed to Jen Johnson, jjohnson@library.ohio.gov.

Professional Development
- David Green attended the Ohio Private Academic Libraries 2021 Conference on August 6.
- Rebecca Hanshaw attended Microsoft Azure: Fundamentals training on August 9.
- Peter Kukla attended International Image Interoperability Framework training on August 10.
- Eric Maynard attended Microsoft Azure Administrator training August 16-19.
- Andy Ingraham Dwyer attended Microsoft Azure Migrating On-Premises Infrastructure and Data training August 17-18.
- David Green attended Microsoft Azure Securing Web Workloads with App Service Environments training on August 18.
- Rebecca Hanshaw attended Understanding Microaggressions training on August 24.
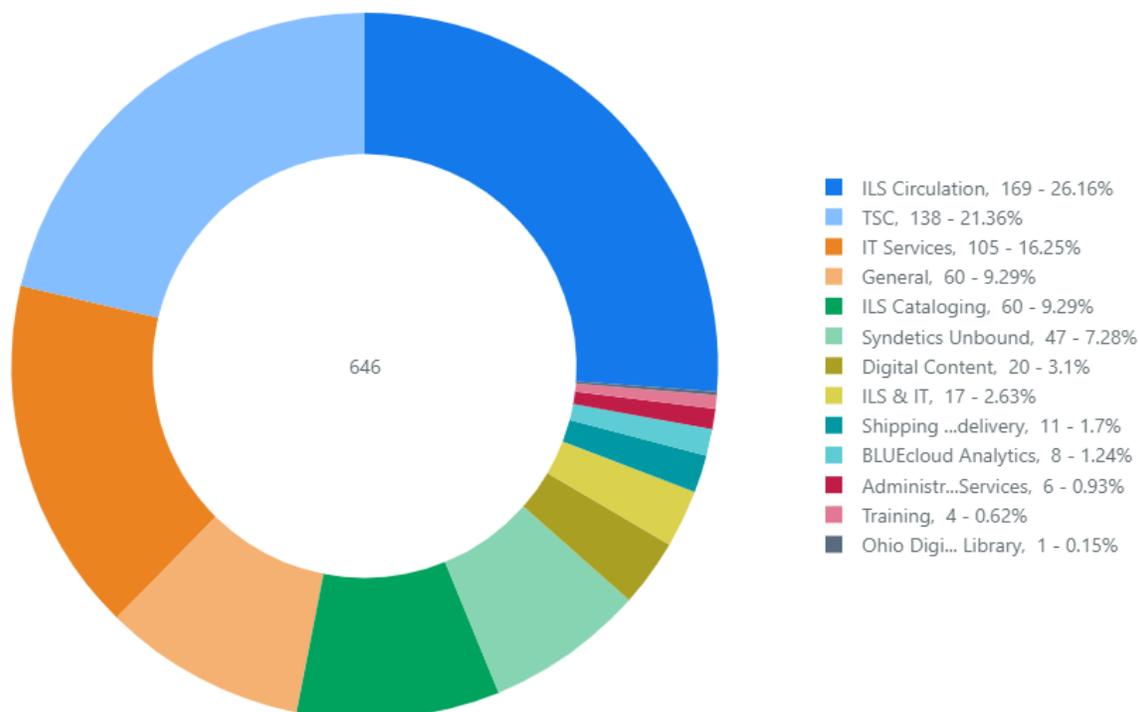
Reimagining School Readiness
- The State Library of Ohio is proud to support the Reimagining School Readiness Toolkit, a suite of research-backed resources created for library staff to help families prepare children ages birth to 8 years for success in school and in life. The toolkit was developed by the Bay Area Discovery Museum in collaboration with the California State Library and the Pacific Library Partnership.
- Two workshops have been added for the fall:
  - September 14, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (class is full)
  - November 3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (registration will open September 15)
  - All associated workshops for this initiative are led live online and are not recorded. These workshops cover such topics as:
    - key findings from current cognitive and developmental psychology research
    - the implications of those findings for library staff's daily work
    - practical ready-to-implement ideas for activities
    - resources for staff training and for parents/caregivers
- Additional information about this initiative can be found here.

SEO Service Center
- Total automation consortium circulation for the past 30 days—**854,923**
- Total number of new users created in the past 30 days—**8,005**
- Interlibrary loans initiated for the past 30 days—**688**
  - This includes Referral Center requests and SEO items requested.
- There were **646** support tickets for the past 30 days.

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■	ILS Circulation, 169 - 26.16%
■	TSC, 138 - 21.36%
■	IT Services, 105 - 16.25%
■	General, 60 - 9.29%
■	ILS Cataloging, 60 - 9.29%
■	Syndetics Unbound, 47 - 7.28%
■	Digital Content, 20 - 3.1%
■	ILS & IT, 17 - 2.63%
■	Shipping ...delivery, 11 - 1.7%
■	BLUEcloud Analytics, 8 - 1.24%
■	Administr...Services, 6 - 0.93%
■	Training, 4 - 0.62%
■	Ohio Digi... Library, 1 - 0.15%

- **3** in house periodicals requests were filled using inhouse databases and resources
- OCLC Referral Center demo with Leesburg Branch Library
  - The demo was on the basic features offered in Referral Center:
    - Article Exchange—how to check in the article
    - How long the URL and password are valid based on days and number of times URL is opened. Where the URL and password are located
    - Previewing the article so that it does not use one of the four opens on the URL
    - Creating a new title request
    - Creating a subject or periodical request
    - Receive items
    - How to print book straps
    - Return items
    - How to print return labels
    - How to request book club items
    - Check in an item as received or returned and mark an item not received
    - How to renew an item and where it will show renewal accepted or denied
    - Closing a request if no longer needed
  - There was also an email sent that contained all the documents for tips and tricks on everyday uses in OCLC referral Center.

- **Niche Academy Stats:**

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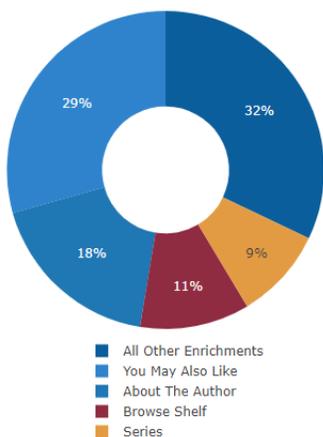
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The SEO Library App	5
LinkedIn Learning: Courses That Expand Your Professional Horizon	10
HeritageQuest: A Collection of Genealogical and Historical Sources	8
Sanborn Maps Historic Insurance Maps for the United States	6
OverDrive|Libby eBooks, Audiobooks, and More	5
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Using the My Lists Feature	5
The SEO Library Die-Cut Collection	18
Placing Item Specific or Multiple Holds	66
Placing Holds on Magazines	5
The Reading Room: Accelerated Reader (AR) and Lexile Reading Levels	1
Lynda.com Tech Skills to Boost Your Career	0
Ancestry Library Edition - Access Billions of Genealogical Records	5
Fold3 Remembering Veterans Through Military Records	9
HeritageQuest: Discover Your Family History Today	0
Research Essentials Authoring Research Questions	2
Research Essentials Better Search Techniques	0
Research Essentials Finding the Right Sources	1
Research Essentials In-Text Citations	0
Research Essentials Paraphrasing and Summarizing	0
Transparent Language Online Language Learning	0
Chilton Auto Repair Instructions	2
Consumer Health Complete	2
Elementary (Kids InfoBits)	1
World Book Encyclopedias and More (1)	0
Total	**451**

- **SEO Consortium Libraries App Stats**
  - **774** new devices
  - **14,377** holds placed
  - **53,065** app launches
  - **40,868** total searches
- **Splashtop On-Demand Access**
  - **31** on-demand remote sessions
- **SEO Training Department Activities:**
  - Aug 4—Perry County District Library Cataloging Training
  - Aug 10—Attended OhioNet webinar: Metadata for Digital Collections
  - Aug 30 & 31—Perry County District Library Circulation Training
- **Consortium Service Highlights**
  - On August 2, the management team attend the State Controlling Board Meeting to get approval for the SirsiDynix Software Maintenance contract.
  - The SEO IT Team worked with SirsDynix to upgrade the Web Services platform used for third party integrations to version 6.2.
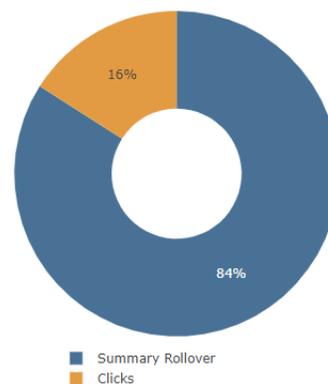
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- o On August 5, the management team met with Baker & Taylor to discuss their Diversity Audit offering in conjunction with their BTCat product.
- o On August 9, the SEO Service Center began operating as the CAM-05 Hub for statewide delivery.
- o On August 11, 19, and 24, SEO team members had videoconferences with staff at PatronPoint to discuss setting up hold, overdue, and courtesy notices.
- o On August 12, the SEO management met with the SEO Advisory Committee to discuss consortium business.
- o On August 16, the SEO Service Center began operating as the CAM-06 Hub for statewide delivery.
- o On August 17, the management team met with Lisa Wittman, SirsiDynix Library Relations Manager, to discuss any support issues and new services being offered.
- o Jay Miley attended SEO's monthly SureSailing consulting call with Kat Stephens from SirsiDynix on August 16.
- o The migration team had a call with a SirsiDynix consultant about Hurt/Battelle Library's final system configuration on August 17.
- o The management team met with Evan Struble for the monthly SEO/LSTA project meeting.
- o On August 28, Jay Miley attended the Canal Fulton Public Library's Open House in celebration of the library's new addition.

- **Syndetics Unbound Statistics**
  - o **Enterprise Catalog**
    - **10,350,675** cover images loaded in online catalog searches.
    - Syndetics Unbound enriched **88,757** (**99%**) out of **88,955** pages loaded.
    - **31,208** patron interactions with enriched content.
    - **Patron interactions:**

Enrichments With Most Interactions

29% — 32% — 18% — 11% — 9%

- All Other Enrichments
- You May Also Like
- About The Author
- Browse Shelf
- Series

Kinds of Interactions

16% — 84%

- Summary Rollover
- Clicks

- **Display Widgets**
    - Newly created widgets:
      - ELG New Adult fiction
      - ELG New Adult Non-Fiction
      - ELG New Children's Fiction
      - ELG New Juvenile Fiction
      - ELG New Juvenile Non-Fiction
      - ELG New Young Adult
      - ELG New DVDs

- [ELG New Audiobooks](#)
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- [ELL New Juvenile Non-Fiction](#)
- [ELL New Children's Fiction](#)
- [ELL New Video Games](#)
- [ELL New Audiobooks](#)
  - **47** display widgets updated
  - **29,340** widgets loaded
  - Patrons have interacted with display widgets **5,876** times.

Statewide Delivery
- The transition to the new Statewide Delivery System vendor has been difficult and has caused many delays in libraries receiving materials. We continue to work closely with our partners, OhioLINK and the Department of Administrative Services, to seek all corrective action necessary to restore this vital program. Updates are posted here: https://library.ohio.gov/services-for-libraries/statewide-delivery/#UPDATES.

Strategic Planning
- Libraries currently receiving strategic planning services from State Library consultants include:
  - Canal Fulton Public Library
  - Germantown Public Library
  - Pickerington Public Library
  - Pickaway County Library
  - Tipp City Public Library
  - Harris-Elmore Public Library
  - Huron Public Library
  - Marysville Public Library
  - Defiance Public Library
  - Wayne County Public Library
- If you have questions about the [State Library's strategic planning services](#), or would like to be placed on the waiting list for this service, please contact Evan Struble at estruble@library.ohio.gov.

Summer Library Program/Summer Reading Program
- The [2021 Ohio Summer Library Program evaluation survey](#) is open. All Ohio public libraries are asked to complete this survey no later than September 10. Your response helps ensure high-quality resources and support for future SLPs and documents the value and impact of summer programs at Ohio libraries. Find the survey here: www.surveymonkey.com/r/slpeval2021.
- The 2022 Collaborative Summer Library Program manual will be provided to Ohio public libraries online this fall via access code on the CSLP website. The CSLP manual is made available to every Ohio public library building and is fully supported by federal LSTA funds administered by the State Library of Ohio. Libraries requiring CSLP manuals in paper or USB flash drive may purchase these formats from the [CSLP shop](#). Such purchases are at the library's discretion and are not covered by LSTA funds. The online manual will include the complete program manual, all artwork and downloadables, and many extra resources not available in the static manual formats.
- The 2022 CSLP slogan will be "Oceans of Possibilities." The program will feature artwork by Sophie Blackall on the theme of Oceanography. [Previews](#) of the [2022 artwork](#) are available on the CSLP Facebook page.
- Contact Janet Ingraham Dwyer at jdwyer@library.ohio.gov with any questions about SLP.

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