



Delegates Assembly
Membership & Training Update
April 28, 2021

Membership Update

- Marengo-Union Library District
 - New Member | Fully Participating
 - McHenry County | Standalone | Follett
 - Projected Go Live of June 30, 2021
 - Training in progress for 14 staff
 - Weekly calls with Innovative and MULD



Membership Update

- Putnam County Schools (Building)
 - Current Member | Fully Participating
 - Adding Primary School
- Lostant Community Library
 - New Member | Basic Online
 - La Salle County



Social Media



- Call for Member Spotlight -- email elizabeth.smith@railslibraries.info
- Newsletter 440+ subscribers <https://support.prairiecat.info/newsletter>
- Facebook @PrairieCatLibraries
- Twitter @PrCatLib

Virtual Site Visits



- Request site visit here:
<https://support.prairiecat.info/visit-request>
- New Director Welcome
- School Library
- Refresher Visit

Training | TalentLMS Statistics



Totals

- 599 Learner Accounts
- 371 Courses in Progress
- 42 Courses Available
- 3,298 Completed Courses since TalentLMS launched Feb. 2019
- Visit prairiecat.talentlms.com to login or signup for an account.

Training | TalentLMS Project Update

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Training | Circulation and Customer Service

Core Competencies

The core competencies checklist provides the basic skills member library staff should have in order to use Sierra effectively and efficiently. The advanced and expert skills are also listed for relevant staff.

Basic Skills Checklist

Skill	LMS Class	Resource
Complete General Skills Checklist		
Understand and follow all PrairieCat circulation policies		CM
Check out items and use change due date feature	Circ, Class 5	C1:15-16
Check in items and use the backdate feature	Circ, Class 7	C1:38-40
Renew items within the patron record and using the Renew No Patron function	Circ, Class 5	C1:19
View estimated fines	Circ, Class 6	C1:19
Recognize damaged or incomplete items and handle/forward them appropriately		CM:9-13
View recent patrons	Circ, Class 2	C2:3
View the circulation history of an item		C2:4-5; TB#4
Enter new patron records	Circ, Class 3	C1:9-14
Copy patron records	Circ, Class 4	C1:14
Modify existing patron records		CM:15-21

- Training Committee
 - Core Competencies Checklists & Learning Pathways
 - Supervisor/Instructor Role
- Create Lists on LMS (by July 2021)
- Refining current offerings
 - Most classes now have closed captioning and adjustable playback speed.

Save the Date | PUG Days



Mark your calendars!

Virtual Event

Sessions offered September 13-24, 2021

Featured speakers on Friday,
September 24, 2021

Call for Proposals | PUG Days



Submit Program Proposals

Submissions are open until May 28, 2021.

Engagement Committee will review

Google form: <https://forms.gle/coQetUitj1o3T3nVA>

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Based on the member survey there is high interest (40+ votes) in the following areas:

- Customer Service
- Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
- Leadership and Management
- Marketing and Outreach
- Pandemic / Post-pandemic
- PrairieCat Consortium (best practices, policies, services, etc.)
- Programming
- Reference and Reader's Advisory
- Technology

Any questions



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