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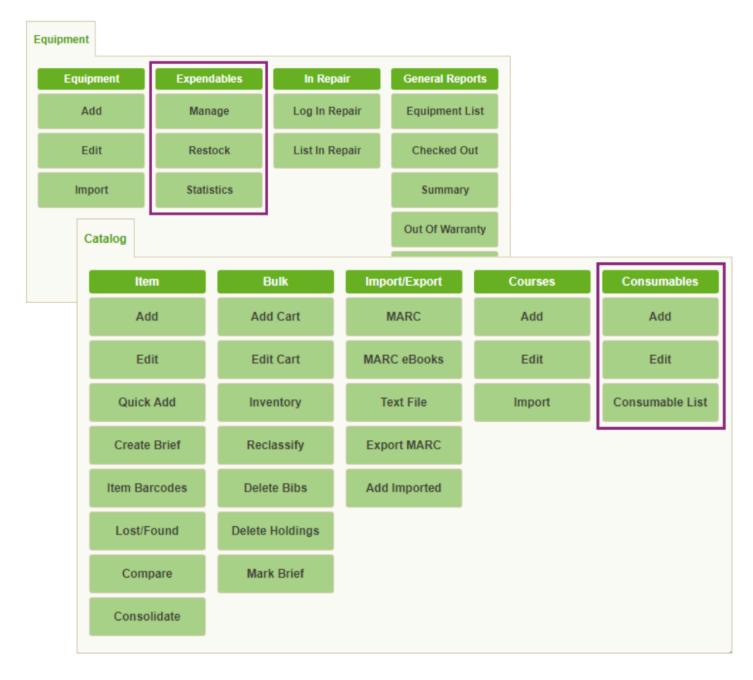
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#### **Consumables**

Previously, Booktracks provided two ways to manage items you distribute to students/teachers but don't expect back: for workbooks, you could use the **Add Bibliographic** page to catalog items similar to textbooks, and for equipment, such as extension cords, mice, etc., you could add counts using the old **Consumables** feature. Now, Booktracks has added a new **Consumables** feature in the **Catalog** menu for handling workbooks if you do not want to barcode each item. The existing features in the **Equipment** menu have been renamed **Expendables**.

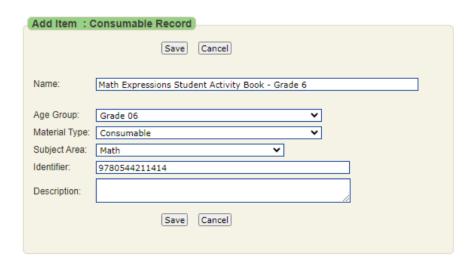


#### **Adding Consumable Records**

The existing method of cataloging workbooks is to add them on the **Add Bibliographic** page just like you add textbooks. You would select the **Remove Item After Check In box**, add individual holdings, and check out the items using the holdings barcode. This method is still available if you need to barcode each item so you know which student has which specific copy; you can also mark a workbook lost, which automatically assigns a fine so students can pay for replacements.

The new method using the **Add Consumable** page is perfect for users that do not want to take the time to add individual holdings records and print/attach barcodes. You can add basic information about the title, age group, subject, etc., and then enter a count of items at each school. Booktracks allows you to check these items out using the **Identifier** assigned to the consumable; the number of copies **Checked Out/Available** is updated after each check out (see next page), and the student record shows that they received the workbook. If you need to charge students to replace lost workbooks, you can manually assign a fee.

- 1. Click Catalog from Booktracks' Menu Bar.
- 2. Under Consumables, click Add.
- 3. Enter a name, and make selections using the drop-down lists.
- 4. Enter a number to identify this title, such as the ISBN, UPC, etc. This is the number you'll use to check out workbooks to students on the **Check Out Items** page.
- 5. Click Save.



Consumables are automatically removed from your database at the close of the school year, based on your school year's **End Date (General Settings)**.

#### **Running a Consumable List Report**

This report contains a list of all consumables in your school district. From your desktop, click the lock icon (below the Atriuum logo), and then click the tools icon.

- 1. Click Catalog from Booktracks' Menu Bar.
- 2. Under Consumables, click Consumable List.



Consumables that have been checked out can also be found on individual patron records in the **Consumables Checked Out** section.

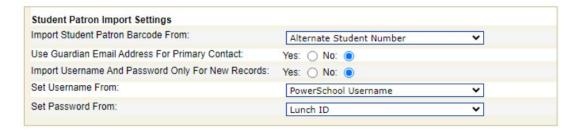
### **PowerSchool (requires license)**

Booktracks' integration with PowerSchool, a cloud-based student information system, allows you to easily pull patron records into your database. Once settings are configured, student and teacher data is updated nightly (via background tasks).

- 1. Click **Administration** from Booktracks' **Menu Bar**, and then click **General**.
- 2. Click PowerSchool Settings.
- 3. Enter your PowerSchool URL/ID to enable the feature, and click **Save**. Then you can map your schools and configure settings for how data is imported.



Specify what data to use for students' barcodes so they can circulate items in Booktracks: Patron Link, Lunch ID, or Alternate Student Number. You can also select what information should be used as their username/password for logging onto My Items, set defaults for loan permission/report class, map data from the file to the record in Booktracks, etc.

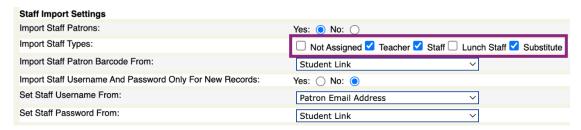


There's a separate section to configure the same settings for importing faculty records



#### **PowerSchool Staff Import**

Do you have employees other than teachers that need to be imported into Booktracks? You can now import all personnel from PowerSchool using the new **Staff Types** options.



### **PowerSchool Patron Import**

For our licensed <u>PowerSchool</u> users, importing patron records is now smoother than ever; only modified records are pulled (rather than all data) thereby significantly reducing the load on your system. Additionally, Booktracks' background recognition system can match a record from PowerSchool with the corresponding student one in your database even if significant changes have been made (last name, home address, etc.).



### PowerSchool Delta Import (requires license)

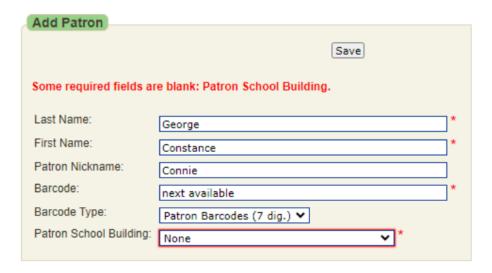
<u>PowerSchool</u> users can now choose between a full or delta import. Once your initial setup has been completed, you can click **Start Delta Import** at any time to *only* pull recently modified records; this saves you from having to wait until overnight background tasks run.



#### **Patrons**

#### **Improved Error Message on Add Patron Page**

When a patron record won't save, a more detailed error message displays now, and the missing required field is highlighted in red.



### **Upgraded Notification System**

Booktracks' enhanced method for sending text/email messages to students is more secure, reliable, and timely. If you send texts and emails to students/guardians, those notifications display as being sent from a standard number (via a third-party service) and you no longer need to configure a text messaging address. This update also increases text/email deliveries without requiring additional configurations, like Sender Policy Framework (SPF) or IP addresses. All you need to do is confirm that patron imports pull students' (or their parents') mobile numbers and email addresses.



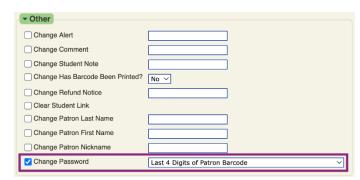
### **Recall Last Patron Option**

If you need to pull up a student or teacher record immediately after closing it, you can simply click the **Recall Last Patron** button on the **Patron Lookup** page.



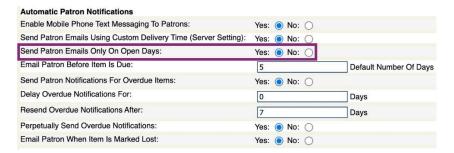
#### **Reclassify Patron Passwords**

If you need to assign or reset student passwords in bulk for any reason, you can generate these using the **Reclassify Patrons** page. Options include *Last 4 Digits Of Home Phone, Patron Barcode, Student Link*, etc. You can also use the *Specific Value* option to create a custom password.



### **Emails Only on Open Days**

A new option on the <u>Patron Settings</u> page allows you to only send email notifications when the school is open. On closed days, messages about overdue items, etc. are queued (based on background tasks) and sent when the school reopens.



### **Patron SSO Custom Configuration**

You now have the option to set up a custom configuration for the **Patron Single Sign-On** feature.

Make sure to consult with Technical Support before you attempt a custom configuration.

Patron Single Sign-On Configuration



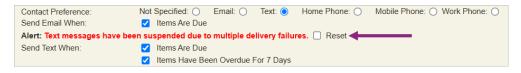
### **Improved Error Messages (Add/Edit Patron)**

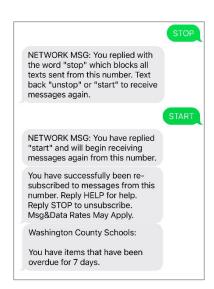
If you come across an issue when saving your patron records, such as a duplicate username, Booktracks provides you with a detailed error statement and solution.



### **Text Messaging Updates**

If students/guardians opt out of school text messages (by texting STOP) and multiple failures have been recorded, an alert displays on the **Review Patron** and **Edit Patron** pages. You can reset the failed messages count on the **Edit Patron** page so that Booktracks will start sending messages again. Keep in mind that recipients must opt in once again to start receiving messages (by texting START or UNSTOP).





### **Receipt Settings Enhancement**

This receipt <u>setting</u> now encompasses emails (previously only applied to printed receipts). After the receipt is sent, Booktracks automatically opens the **Patron Lookup** page to quickly set up your next circulation transaction.



#### Username Field is User Defined

This field for logging on to **My Items** can now be <u>customized</u> to suit your needs. For example, you may change the field name to **Student ID** if everyone uses the same password for lunch, the library, etc.



#### **Reports**

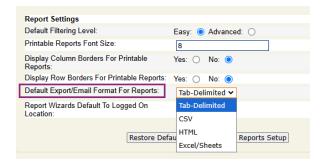
#### **Reports to Track Email/Text Messages**

If you set up automatic notifications, you can now run reports to track text and email messages sent to students/guardians. These can be found on the **Patron Information** page for individual student records as well as the **Standard Reports** page.



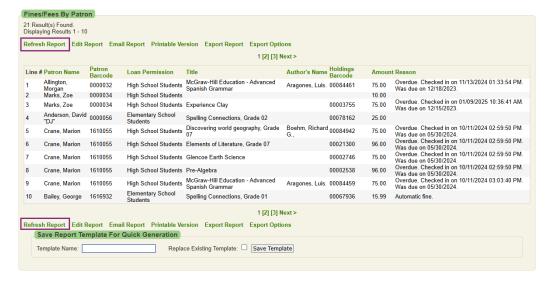
#### **New Worker Setting**

A drop-down list has been added to the <u>Worker Settings</u> page that allows you to save your preferred format when exporting/emailing reports. Options include Tab-Delimited (separates data by tabs), CSV (separates data by commas), HTML (structures data for web display), and Excel/Sheets (structures data for spreadsheets).



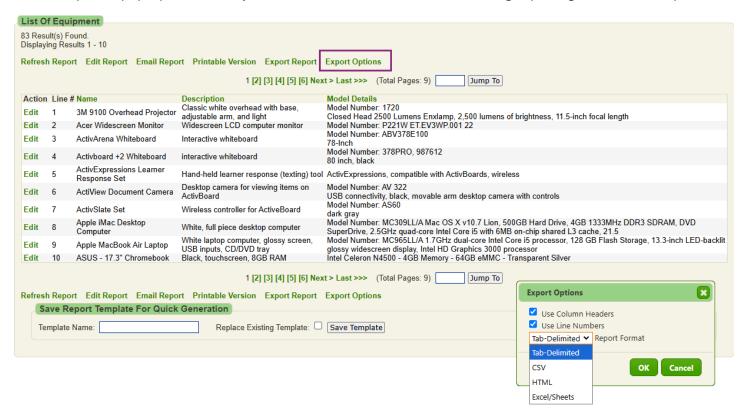
### **Refresh Report Link**

If you run a report but need to clean up its data, you can make changes in your database and then use this link to update your results. This will save you the trouble of having to run the report again.



#### **Export Options Link**

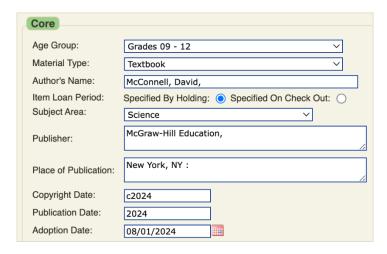
This link opens a pop-up that allows you to select a different format for emailing/exporting an individual report.



### **Cataloging**

### **Copyright/Publication Formatting**

Booktracks now automatically adds a "c" and other Library of Congress formatting to the **Copyright Date** field in saved textbook records. The same date is copied into the **Publication Date** field if it is empty. Please contact Technical Support if you prefer a different setup.



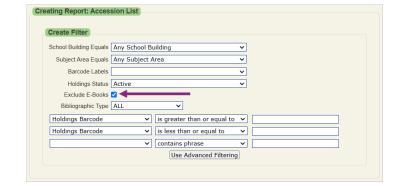
### **Search by Material Type**

You can now refine your search results in Booktracks by adding a specific material type filter, making it easier to find exactly what you need. This option can be found in the <u>Left Column</u> and on the <u>Lookup</u> <u>Bibliographic Record</u> pages.



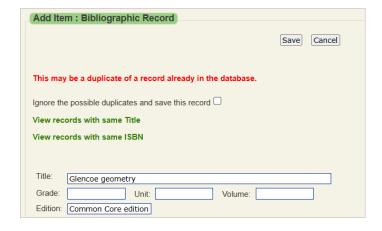
### **Exclude e-Books Filter Option**

This filter option allows you to quickly exclude e-Books when running certain reports or performing bulk actions.



### **Search Database Before Quick Cataloging**

Booktracks searches your database *before* adding items via the **Quick Cataloging** feature; if you already have a record with the same ISBN, UPC, or title, an error displays. You can use applicable links to open reports, and then click **Compare** to review duplicates.



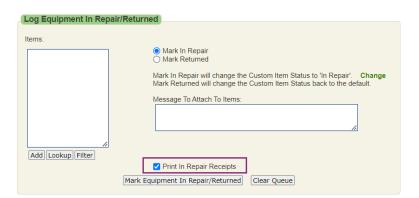
#### **Equipment**

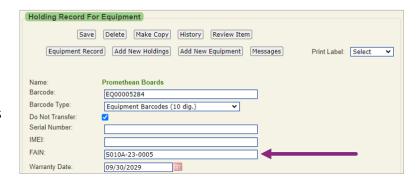
### **Print Option for Items in Repair**

You can now conveniently print receipts that can be attached to items being sent for repair; receipts also display any messages that you enter on the **Log Equipment In Repair/Returned** page.

# Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN) Field

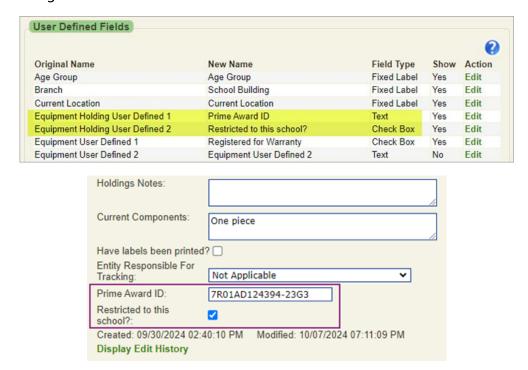
This field has been added to the <u>holding record</u> to identify grants awarded to your school. Some states mandate that schools assign the appropriate FAIN for equipment purchased within the current school year.





#### **User Defined Fields**

There are two new <u>fields</u> that can be customized to represent unique details for pieces of equipment. The image below shows two example fields that relate to grant purchases. Once saved, these fields display at the bottom of the holding record.



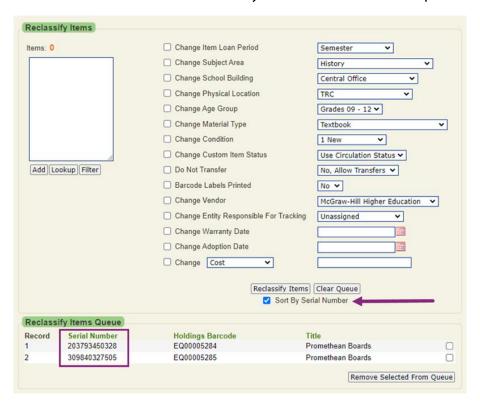
#### **Review Item**

If an equipment holding record contains user defined fields, those will also display on the <u>Review</u> <u>Item</u> page. The FAIN field is static and displays all the time.



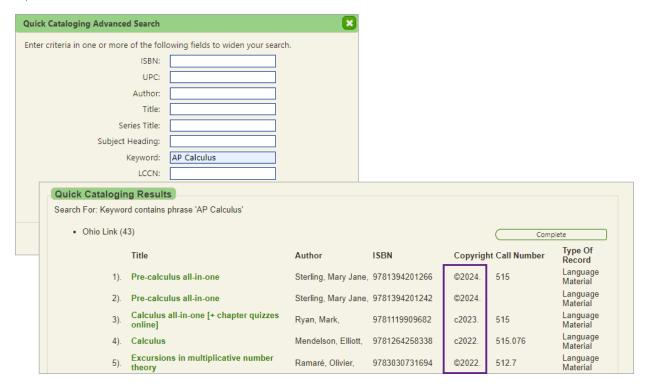
### **Sort By Serial Number**

A sorting option has been added to two pages: **Reclassify Items** (shown below) and **Delete Holdings**. Being able to see pieces of equipment listed by serial number instead of the barcode may be more useful to the task at hand. The check box must be selected *before* you add the items to the queue.



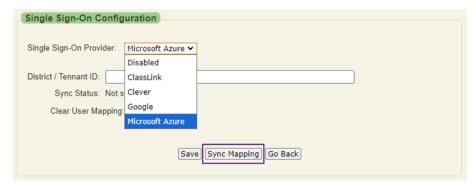
### **Quick Cataloging**

Copyright year has been added to the Advanced Search <u>results</u> allowing you to verify that the record matches your textbook edition.



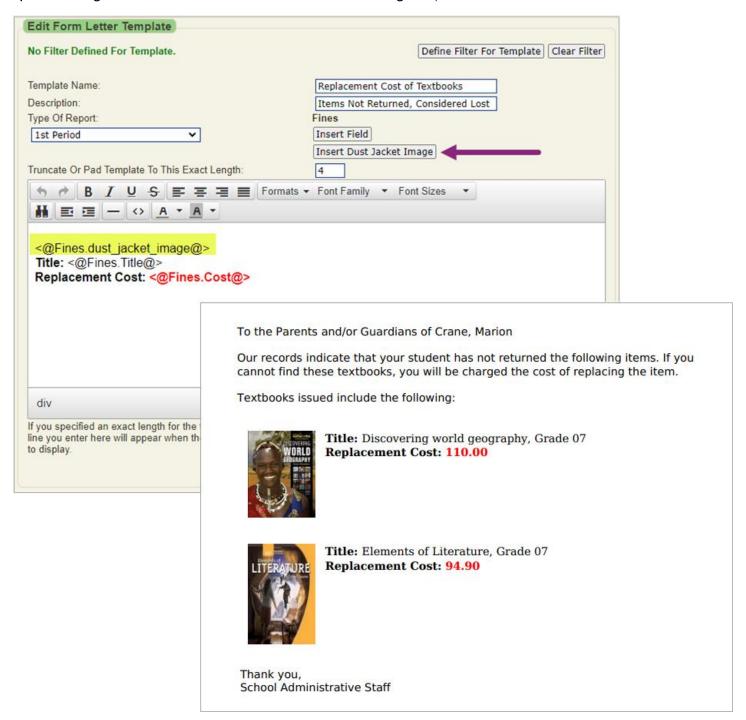
### Single Sign-On

Microsoft Azure has been added to the list of <u>SSO</u> services, and you can now manually click **Sync Mapping** to authenticate your student records before the next automatic update.



#### **Form Letters**

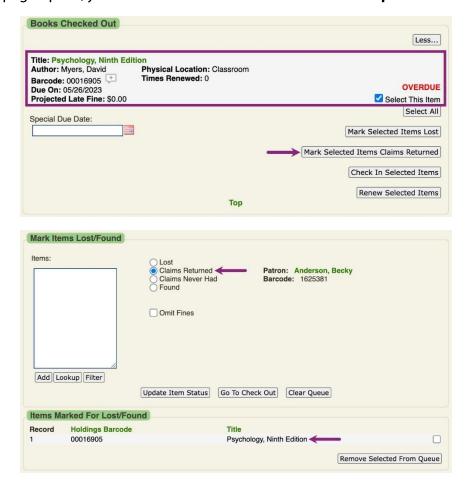
Textbook cover/equipment images can be included in notices that go out to your students/guardians. This specific merge field must be inserted into a new or existing template.



#### **Claims Returned**

Booktracks now provides unique features for handling <u>claims returned</u>. You can start by looking up a student and finding the item in their checked out list, or you can start by opening the <u>Mark Items Lost/Found</u> page and then finding the item.

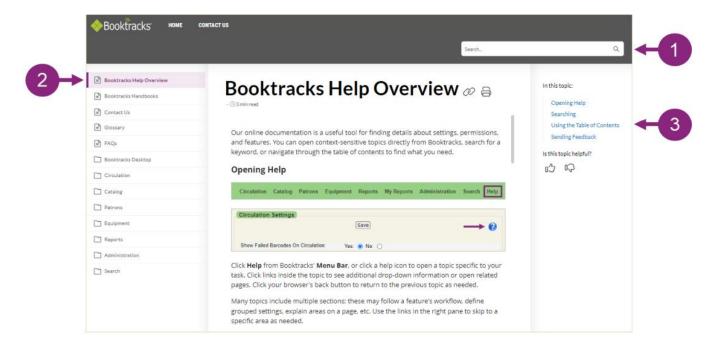
The example below shows selecting a textbook under **Books Checked Out** on the **Patron Information** page and then clicking the **Mark Selected Items Claims Returned** button. Once the **Mark Items Lost/Found** page opens, you'll see **Claims Returned** selected. Click **Update Item Status**.



You can set a claims returned limit for students based on their loan permission and specify how long to wait before Booktracks marks these items lost (circulation setting).

#### **Booktracks Help**

Online Help has a new look and feel as well as updated content. Use links/icons throughout the product to access this resource just as you have always done. You'll see a topic directly related to your task with streamlined and user-friendly content.



- 1. Quickly search for any feature in the product. When you click in the field, a pop-up opens where you can enter keywords.
- 2. Browse through the table of contents, which mimics the menu structure of Booktracks. In addition to dedicated topics for features, you can also find *overview* topics that help you see the bigger picture of how different areas of Booktracks work together.
- 3. If applicable, use the links in the right pane to jump to the specific section you need.

You can now also send us feedback on ways we can improve:

- Click the thumbs up/down (right pane) to let us know what's helpful.
- Click the link at the bottom of any topic to email detailed comments.





### **Revamped Downloads Page**

Along with online Help, the <u>Downloads</u> page in the product provides helpful resources for understanding and using various features. All instructional documents are now accessible via a single link: click **View Document List** to open the <u>Booktracks Handbooks</u> topic in Help.



### **Additional Updates**

- New Media field. If you have eBooks without a dust jacket, you can add a URL on the <u>Add/Edit</u>
   <u>Bibliographic</u> page for easy identification in search results.
- **UPC search.** You can easily search for items in your catalog by entering UPC numbers on lookup pages and under **Item Lookup** in the **Left Column**.
- **Return focus on auto-print.** After transit receipts are printed, the focus reverts to the barcode field allowing you to seamlessly move on.
- **Time stamp on exported reports.** This allows the spreadsheet tool you use to recognize the applicable date/time data.
- Import option for adding records only. This allows you to add holdings to existing bibliographic
  records if Booktracks finds a match without overriding bibliographic data; new bibliographic records
  will be added only if there is no match.