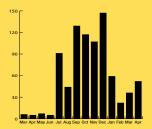
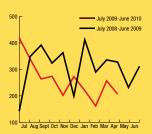
RESULTS

MCPS Patrons Registered in Aleph Circulation Per Month (March 2009 -April 2010)



827 MCPS patrons have been registered in the Aleph circulation system from March 2009 to April 2010. MCPS Collection Circulation Report (July 2008 - April 2010)



6296 materials borrowed from MCPS collection from July 2008 to April 2010.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

- Build a strong Library Partnership Advisory Committee (LPAC) to evaluate and monitor partnership's progress.
- Deactivate MCPS Winnebago system and migrate final circulation transactions to UM/ USG Aleph system.
- Identify strategies to promote partnership in MCPS and USG communities.
- Strengthen services for MCPS and USG patrons.
- Explore opportunities to expand collaborations with UM and other University System of Maryland Libraries.

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The Universities at Shady Grove

An innovative partnership of 9 University System of Maryland institutions offering quality higher education to 3,600 undergraduate and graduate students at one campus in Montgomery County. USG Priddy Library supports students and faculty of these 9 Institutions.



Montgomery County Public Schools

The 16th largest school system in the United States, located in the Washington, D.C. suburbs with a student population of over 140,000 representing 164 different countries as well as 134 languages and a graduation rate of ninety percent. Eighty-four percent (84%) of the teachers have graduate degrees. The Professional Library, established in the 1960's, provides services to over 20,000 employees.



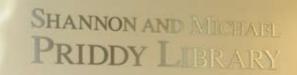
University of Maryland - College Park

The state's flagship university, home to 37,000 students in over 100 majors. Ranked 11th among all public U.S. universities and 37th worldwide in a recent international survey, and named one of the top 15 "green universities" in the country. The McKeldin Library, the main library on the College Park campus, supports research and teaching needs of various colleges, especially in life and social sciences and humanities.

















BRIDGING LIBRARIES: THE MERGER OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT LIBRARY AND AN ACADEMIC LIBRARY

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OBJECTIVES

- Establish a broad and enriched learning environment for two communities.
- Expand number, quality and access to information resources on education.
- Extend services that include borrowing privileges, reference, instruction and information literacy training.
- Provide broader professional research expertise and additional service hours.
- Support teacher training and local academic education endeavors.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- 2007 MOU initiated a partnership between MCPS, USG, and UM Libraries.
- Ultimate goal is to integrate and enhance services and information resources related to education theory and practice.
- MCPS Professional Library collection and staff are merged and services to both communities are provided from the USG Library.
- Library Partnership Advisory Committee
 with representatives from USG, MCPS and
 UM provides oversight of the partnership
 agreement and makes recommendations to
 promote and support its objectives.

CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED

- Incorporation of MCPS patrons into UM's registration and borrowing policies/procedures.
- Integration of additional resources and patrons into circulation and reference services and serving a new clientele for USG staff.
- Adjustment to new environment and facility for MCPS staff.
- Maintenance of parallel circulation systems for MCPS patrons and USG users.
- Merging 'cultures' of academic and special/ school libraries.

TIMELINE (2008-2010)



SUMMER 2008

- MCPS staff and 14,500 books move to USG after weeding and inventory.
- MCPS and UM develop RFP for retrospective cataloging of MCPS collection converting Dewey to LC.

WINTER 2009

Contract signed to catalog MCPS collection; 300 MCPS cataloging records per week delivered to contractor; UM begins loading contractor records into Aleph.

SUMMER 2009

Online registration form, reserves and renewal request forms were made available to MCPS patrons.

FALL 2009

- Registration for services promoted to MCPS staff.
- Retrospective conversion completed.
- Library Partnership Advisory Committee meets for first time to monitor partnership progress.



WINTER 2010

Physical integration of MCPS and USG collections completed.

FALL 2008

- MCPS patron borrowing policies, procedures developed. Registration form created and borrower cards ordered. Borrower status, collection codes and item status created in Aleph for MCPS.
- MCPS circulation, online reserve system, document delivery, and distribution to local schools maintained.



SPRING 2009

- MCPS items given "Currently Unavailable" status in Aleph during conversion.
- Email reflector created for MCPS patrons to contact USG staff.
- Walk-in MCPS patrons registered as USG users.



SPRING 2010

- Expansion and upgrade of databases for MCPS staff
- Library Partnership Committee meets to receive progress reports and plan future directions.
- Direct link established from MCPS web site to USG library web site.