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For Immediate Release:

Library Cooperative Moving to New Online Catalog and Checkout System

The St. Petersburg Library System, along with all members of the Pinellas Public Library Cooperative, is pleased to announce their change to a new online catalog effective Friday, March 25, 2016. The new online catalog and checkout system, supported by SirsiDynix, will continue to provide many familiar features and will offer new options for member libraries. Library patrons will keep their current library cards and passwords.

This transition will take place from March 21 through March 25. Over these few days, access to the catalog and patron account information will be interrupted. **Patrons will need their library cards in order to check out materials**.

Library staff will be unable to check in materials; to place or fill holds; to accept payments, and unable to renew materials. Access to some of the libraries' databases and electronic resources may also be interrupted during this period.

Loan periods for materials normally due during this period will automatically be extended, so patrons will be able to enjoy materials for a little longer than usual while library staff get up and running on the new system.

Links to the new catalog are expected to be available by March 26; patrons who have saved a link to the current catalog on their personal devices will need to delete the old link and update it. Patrons will be able to search the catalog, place requests, and enjoy full account access.

If you have any questions regarding the St. Petersburg Library System's transition to the new online catalog and checkout software, please call 727-893-7724.

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