

New Enhancement Entered As Of Tuesday, October 31, 2006

Enhancement#: 4626 (10/02/2006)
Category: Horizon > Circulation
Subcategory: Holds
Software Version/Release: Horizon 7.3
Subject: Deleting items that have item specific request
Proposal: When performing batch item deletes, Horizon should perform the option of either deleting the requests on the items being deleted or transferring the requests to other items attached to the same bibliographic record.

Enhancement#: 4627 (10/11/2006)
Category: Horizon > Circulation
Subcategory: Checkin/Checkout
Software Version/Release: 7.4
Subject: Color Cues
Proposal: We would like to see the check in and check out screens have different background colors to make it faster/easier to notice which mode you are in when circulating.

Enhancement#: 4628 (10/11/2006)
Category: Horizon Information Portal
Subcategory:
Software Version/Release: 4.1x
Subject: Alerts - add check for e-mail address
Proposal: Before allowing a patron to place an alert in HIP 4 (or IP 8), add a check to see if the borrower record has an e-mail address. Do not allow the alert to be saved if there is no e-mail address and add a message like ``Your alert could not be submitted because library does not have an e-mail address on file for you.``
Currently in 7.4/4.1.1, day end kicks out every borrower with an alert and no e-mail address every day it runs.

Enhancement#: 4629 (10/11/2006)
Category: Horizon > Circulation
Subcategory: Reports/Notices
Software Version/Release: 7.3.3
Subject: Hold Notification Blocks
Proposal: I have 3 held items available for cko. The initial message is Hold Notification - Phone, although when that statement was posted, no notification had taken place. The following business day, when TeleCirc had left me vmail, the detail message says Hold Notification - MAIL (Phone Notice Completed). This strikes me as a bit weird; it's either mail or phone, not both. I'm recommending the following enhancement. When the item is checked in and the hold activated, post a statement Hold Activated or Hold Item Available to the borrower's burb. When TeleCirc does the notification, post Hold Notification - TeleCirc. If the library doesn't use TeleCirc and uses mail, post Hold Notice Printed on the day that the hold is added to the notice file. If library staff makes phone calls, post Hold Phone Call on the day the hold is added to the call list. After 17 years on classic Dynix/Horizon, I'm used to the misleading messages about holds that have come up when a library uses TeleCirc because it was an addon product after the original hold notification setup was coded. But this many years down the road, it seems that it's time to fix it up correctly. As a sysad I may take these things in stride, but new customers and many front-line staff don't.

Enhancement#: 4630 (10/18/2006)
Category: Horizon > Circulation
Subcategory: Borrower Records
Software Version/Release: Horizon 7.3.4
Subject: Btype and expiration date
Proposal: We would like the automatic extension of a borrower's expiration date if the btype is changed to be at the library's discretion, ie. perhaps a check box for automatic, blank for no change of expiration date. This is similar to 2606. This really became a nuisance for us as we set all patrons to expire at varying periods depending on their btype recently.

Enhancement#: 4631 (10/23/2006)
Category: Horizon Information Portal
Subcategory:
Software Version/Release: HIP 4.1.1
Subject: Navigation on Journal displays
Proposal: See description below -
Subject: Journal availability navigation
Description: When you go to a journal's availability tab to see the individual issues we need for the navigation links (Next & Previous) to appear at the bottom of the list as well as at the top. We have very long runs of journals and it is cumbersome for users to have to scroll all the way down then scroll all the way to select next. I'm hoping this a bit of code we can just cut and paste into a different location on the style sheet...
 This is a HIP question. When they search for a journal, they click an Availability tab. The next window, if the list is long, will have Next and Previous. Can they have this at the bottom as well as at the top?
 This has been a constant complaint for users and staff.

Enhancement#: 4632 (10/23/2006)
Category: Horizon Information Portal
Subcategory:
Software Version/Release: HIP 4.1
Subject: PreDefined Location Limit Override
Proposal: We need the option to keep or not keep a pre-defined location limit when using the limit drop down menu in searches.
 We are a consortium of 180 schools, so for most searches it is overwhelming to get the holdings of all the schools. So we want to limit the first searches users do. Younger students are very much overwhelmed by all that is available in 180 schools.
 BUT we want our school community members to have the ability to locate materials from the entire area by broadening the search limit if they do not find what they want.