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The Burleson Public Library is preparing for some big changes this month. The Library's catalog software will be changing from Horizon to Polaris which means changes for the staff and some great new features for Library patrons. Those Polaris features include:

- ✓ Patrons can opt in to maintain reading history.
- ✓ Patrons can save searches so they are alerted when new materials arrive.
- ✓ Patrons can add reviews and ratings to titles and also benefit from reading other reviews.
- ✓ Staff can link patron accounts together – to help families track fines and due dates easier.
- ✓ Patrons who are logged into their accounts will see only the OverDrive titles that are available for them (for their libraries) to check out and reserve.
- ✓ Text notices for holds and overdues will be available.
- ✓ Google Preview available for some titles.
- ✓ The new catalog is mobile friendly.
- ✓ Patrons may update their own account information.
- ✓ And many more!

The Library's catalog will be down from Friday, Jan. 16, to Thursday, Jan. 22. Staff will be able to check out materials for the public between Jan. 17 and Jan. 22 as long as patrons bring their library cards with them to the Library. Most other Library functions, including searching the catalog, paying fines, requesting materials, checking out e-books, digital magazines, and other online resources, will be down while the system is being upgraded. Patron materials will not be due between Jan. 14 and Jan. 26. In fact, the library staff encourages you to keep all items until Jan. 27.

For more information, please contact the Burleson Public Library at 817-426-9210 or visit the Library online at www.burlesonlibrary.com. The library is located at 248 S.W. Johnson Ave.