

SHARE Report

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SHARE staff continue to work with Transitional members—a seemingly never-ending process--working toward being full members of SHARE. Carlinville Intermediate School, Ramsey High School, Ramsey Elementary School, and Greenfield Public Library are now live on Polaris. 21 libraries are in the process of barcoding their collections.

Tilden Public Library has signed a Transitional Member Agreement, taking advantage of the Wal-Mart State grant to join SHARE.

Two-day RDA (Resource Description and Access) workshops are being presented this month in Edwardsville, Carbondale, and Decatur. Funding for the workshops is being provided by the CMC (Cataloging Maintenance Center) grant. RDA will be the cataloging format used by all SHARE libraries, beginning July 1.

SHARE Circulation and Resource Sharing staff are working on a couple of projects—including a short training video—that we hope will alleviate some of the issues we've been experiencing with libraries extending due dates, overriding holds, and overriding renewals on ILL (interlibrary loan) materials borrowed.

Most of the SHARE members have returned their signed FY2018 Annual Agreement forms, with very few changes, and only one school closing to date.

Respectfully submitted,
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