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OPALS OPAC & Google Extensions

When installed on the Chrome browser, this utility inserts a library's resources at the top of “Google” search results. We plan to do this for other browsers.

With schools adopting 1:1 computing, students using their Chromebooks to search for learning resources, will be reminded that there are reliable print and digital media in the library for them to use. This can also be installed on desktops and laptops.

You can find and activate “OPALS Catalog Search” extension at the “Chrome Web Store.” Follow the Instructions for finding your library’s application below.

Please note that it might be necessary to request assistance from your school, public or academic library institution’s IT department. We plan to publish instructions to assist them in deploying this application to all or designated devices that your members use.

How to find and setup OPALS – Google Extensions Connections
1) Go to the "store" [https://chrome.google.com/webstore/category/extensions](https://chrome.google.com/webstore/category/extensions)
2) In search box, enter: "opals catalog search"
3) Click the title
4) Click "+ ADD TO CHROME"...
5) Click “Add extension” this should install the utility on your computer’s Chrome browser...

6) When installed, it will appear as a tiny OPALS logo on the top right hand corner of the browser

7) Right click on the OPALS logo in the top right hand corner of the Chrome browser

8) Click “Options”
9) System will display options - Click the “Boces” bar
10) If your library is part of a BOCES region, select your region
11) If your library is not a member of a BOCES region, click “Others” ...click the “Library” bar below to find your library

12) Click the “Library” bar below to find your library
13) Select your library and click "Save"