

What's New in Alexandria 7.18.2?

Summer is here! and with it, Alexandria updates that add Textbook management, Clever, changes to Archives, and more.

First, this announcement: As of 7.18.1, we no longer support Internet Explorer. It will still work in most cases, but as Alexandria continues to grow and modernize, IE simply won't keep up. See our System Requirements for supported browsers; currently this includes Chrome, Safari, Firefox, and Edge.

1 - Archives

Changes to Archives mean you now have 2 types of Archives; Daily, and Snapshot. Daily archives happen during Alexandria's Daily Chores, whereas Snapshot archives are whenever you manually run an archive or choose to archive before Importing. In Administration, you can set Archives to Keep limits for both kinds of archives, but be sure that your archive location has enough space to handle that number of archives!!

2 - Textbooks

Alexandria's new Textbook Tracker is (you guessed it) a textbook management application. Patrons and some Preferences are shared with the Librarian application, but Textbooks have their own dedicated Circulation, statistics, reports, security, and more. See the new website at www.textbooktracker.com. If you are interested in adding this capability, contact our Sales team at 1.800.347.6439.

3 - Clever

Alexandria Librarian now integrates with Clever, so you can keep your student records updated according to your Student Information System. Clever is a great, modern alternative to SIF. To learn more about setting up the integration, contact our Sales team at 1.800.347.6439.

Misc

There are also a few minor improvements worth pointing out.

Reports

For any letter (or report that uses letters), did you know you could include the patron barcode? Just enter %PATRONBARCODE%. Now you can also add Username using %USERNAME%. This might be useful especially for the Account Information letter. Learn more about these variables in the Support Center: <http://support.companioncorp.com/display/ALEX/Letters#Letters-Variables>

Researcher

Access Researcher quickly from Scout and Status via the Researcher icon in the top right.

When linking to a single title in Search—if you Share a title—the details will now automatically expand for that single title.

There's a new Security > Account setting for Charges called Make Payment. This allows your patrons to pay their library and Textbook fines with available credit right from Patron Status.

Items

While leafing through titles, copy an image from anywhere on the web / on your computer, and paste that image right in Librarian Item Management or Explore Builder.

Sites

Registration for Sites has gone through some changes; this should not affect you unless you change your registration. At any time, you can go into Sites and select Re-Register Site.

Note that Registered Site names can not be edited in Site Management.

That's it for now!

See the Release Notes and the Support Center for more!

Questions? Feedback? Contact Support at any time.

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