

CARL Features and Improvements

Public Interface

- The CARL catalog has a less cluttered display
- The CARL catalog uses popularity as part of the search algorithm, so search results are more accurate
- The CARL catalog is fully responsive to mobile devices and has a geolocation feature
- The new version of the CARL catalog will return a uniform title for a search with all the available formats displayed below the title
- TLN is the development partner for the new catalog so we have input into the design
- There is a separate children's catalog that is touch screen optimized and designed for ages 3-8

Staff Interface

- CARL.X is the Windows client that we will use to begin with and it is very similar to Symphony
- CARL.CONNECT is the new browser based client in development that can be used on mobile devices and at the circulation desks

Corporate Culture

- CARL customers are all large public library systems or consortia who have similar needs and interests
- CARL product development is focused on requests from its customers
- A library system will be a development partner for each new product and will provide input into design and will beta test the software
- Each CARL customer is asked for a list of five development wishes every year and is guaranteed that the top item on the list will be developed