

# Overdrive Digital Library Features

Provided by DPS Library Services

## Learning Objectives:

- To increase student and teacher understanding of Overdrive Help Resources.
- To learn to Recommend a book for purchase in Overdrive



## How can ebooks and audio books support learning in my classroom and my life?

- Digital access anywhere increases student access to engaging books, which can increase time spent reading.
- Readalong: Read and listen to someone else reading at the same time. This helps students with fluency, and students below grade level access grade level texts.
- Annotation tools - write your notes, create bookmarks, change font size, connect to more resources to enhance comprehension.
- Digital Literacy Skills - our students need to be able to read and manipulate digital documents in order to prepare them for digital assessments.

## What is Overdrive?

It's a library of books! But it's online. Overdrive provides many ways to search for a great book that you want to read. Once you find it, you can check it out and read it on your screen. When the book is due, it will automatically be removed from your checkouts.

## Where do you find Overdrive books?

Go to <http://dpsk12.lib.overdrive.com> at **school** or at **home and on any device**.

## Login:

For Staff: Use your normal DPS credentials- e.g. what you use for webmail, Lawson, etc.

For Students: Username is your district ID number. Password is your birthday in this format (day - 2 digits, month - 2 digits, year - 4 digits) for example, 08122006

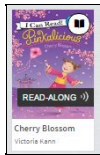
Access from **school, home, anywhere** - Go to the website and log in. Start reading!



## Overdrive HELP topics:

- [Borrowing titles](#)
- [Reading titles](#)
- [Listening to titles](#)

- Watching titles
- Returning titles
- Renewing titles
- Placing holds
- Other site features
- OverDrive accounts and Adobe IDs



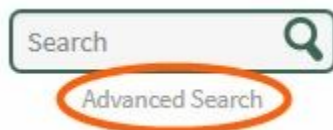
## Let's expand one HELP topic from Overdrive to see an example:

As you see below, Overdrive makes it easy to learn how it works. Anytime you can't figure out how to do something in Overdrive, use the Help? icon.

## Borrowing titles

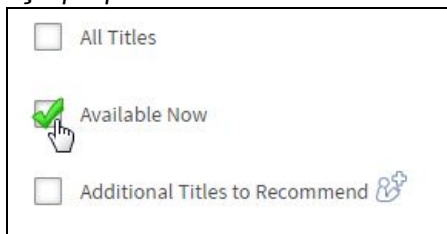
### • How can I find something to borrow?

- There are several ways to find titles in your digital library. You can simply browse to see what your school has to offer, or you can search for something specific.
- Browse
- Browse titles on the homepage, or select a category from the Subjects, Collections, or Levels menus.
- Search
- Search quickly using the search bar. This is good for searching by title, author, or keyword.
- Select the Advanced Search link for more search options. This is good for searching by subject, text difficulty, format, and more.



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### • What do the icons on the covers mean?

- The icon in the corner of each title tells you whether it's an eBook, audiobook, or video.

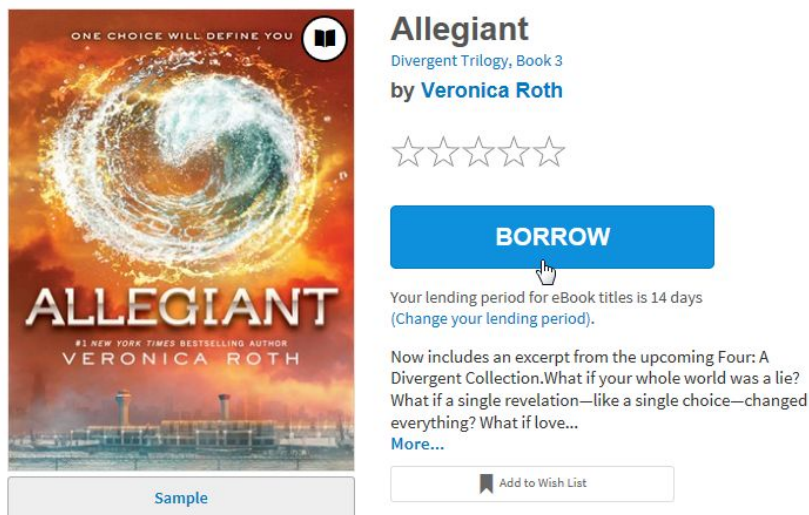


- This icon also tells you whether the title is available for you to borrow, or if all copies are currently checked out. Available titles have filled-in icons, and unavailable titles have grayed-out icons.



- **How do I borrow titles?**

Select more to see the title's details page. From here, select Borrow.



If you aren't already signed in to your digital library, a sign-in page will appear. Sign in to continue.

