During the week of May 14, the MAYFLOWER catalog will be unavailable because of hardware and software upgrades. Here are some alternatives for you to locate and access the physical materials in the Athens and Demorest libraries and to locate and access the ebooks and streaming videos you're accustomed to accessing through the MAYFLOWER.

During this period, you can ask any library staff member for assistance locating physical or online materials etc. https://libguides.piedmont.edu/libinfo/staff

OR, you can locate the **physical materials** in the Library in this way:

- Go to the Library's homepage. https://library.piedmont.edu/
- In the search box **FIND ARTICLES, EBOOKS & MORE with Discover GALILEO**, click on the link **ADVANCED SEARCH**.
- When the Discover service opens, scroll down the page and set the **Books & Videos in the Library** limiter; then do your search.
- Your search result will show you only records from the MAYFLOWER catalog, for books or ebooks, videos or streaming videos. Items for books will display their call numbers.

You can locate and access all the **ebooks** and **streaming videos** by searching from the **FIND ARTICLES, EBOOKS & MORE with Discover GALILEO** search box on the homepage, as usual … OR …

You can locate and access **ebooks** by searching these provider websites:

- **EBSCO ebooks:**
  http://ezproxy.piedmont.edu/login?url=https://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=zmnl

- **ProQuest Ebook Central:**
  http://ezproxy.piedmont.edu/login?url=https://www.galileo.usg.edu/express?link=ebcn

You can locate and access **streaming videos** by searching these provider websites:

- **Academic Video Online:**
  http://ezproxy.piedmont.edu/login?url=https://search.alexanderstreet.com/

- **Films on Demand Education Collection:**
  http://ezproxy.piedmont.edu/login?url=https://fod.infobase.com/PortalPlayLists.aspx?aid=17693

We'll keep you informed as the project proceeds. Thanks for your understanding and forbearance as we work toward a greatly improved software platform.

Please read on to the next page for a more detailed discussion of the changes underway.

The Library is working to implement significant hardware and software enhancements this summer. One of those changes is about to happen and will cause a significant disruption for about a week, and lesser disruption for another week, in one of our prime services, the MAYFLOWER online catalog.

As you know, the MAYFLOWER catalog is the lookup service for all the bibliographic records for physical materials in the two libraries in Demorest and Athens. It also contains a very large number of records for ebooks and streaming videos, and those records contain URLs through which you can access those items.

You should be aware that to quicken our process, to reduce the volume of files to be migrated, we removed the over 400,000 records for ebooks and streaming videos temporarily.

Starting Sunday night, May 13, technicians will begin a migration process for our SirsiDynix library management system (a complex system that provides management services that library staff use and the MAYFLOWER catalog that patrons use). We are migrating from a server here at the College to a cloud-based server hosted at a remote location by SirsiDynix.

For 3-5 days, the MAYFLOWER will be unavailable for patrons to use. The MAYFLOWER you will see after migration will be exactly the version you have used for many years. We will introduce an entirely new version in December of this year.

Once our migrated system is running and stable, we will begin the process of reloading all the ebook records. That will take about a week. So, if all goes well, the new backend system will be completely ready by the end of next week, the MAYFLOWER will be available again, and the missing ebook records will be reloaded by the end of the next week, so all disruptions should be over by Memorial Day.