### Welcome to OverDrive's Session!



# Before we get started, please take a moment to complete our survey:

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One lucky attendee will be selected to win a Samsung Galaxy Tablet at the end of our session!



Building a Citywide Digital Library



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### **Looking Back in Time**

What challenges did we face at the outset of the pandemic?



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### **Collection Development**

Building content and tools that are beneficial for our students.

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# The Citywide Digital Library

A **high-level** look of the Citywide Digital Library.

### 04:

### Sustainability

How the Citywide Digital Library can outlive the pandemic.



## Looking Back in Time...



#### In March of 2020...

- Schools closing
- Pivot to Remote and Blended Learning
- Book distribution was frozen
- No way to get physical books to students
- Extensive loss to school library collections –
  libraries repurposed as classrooms, damaged
  and lost books, and unreturned materials

# Citywide Digital Library (CDL)

The CDL is a collection of eBooks and audiobooks selected by NYC DOE school librarians.

**Curated with the DOE Collection Development Policy and Selection Criteria in mind** 

### **Highlights of the Citywide Digital Library:**

- Selected by content experts
- Emphasizes diversity and Culturally
   Responsive-Sustaining Education
- Content for all grade levels
- Titles to support Professional Development

#### **Budding Books for Budding Minds**

Wondering what the best books for budding young minds are? Explore this diverse collection of early readers for young children.

Over 310 books >













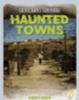




#### Listen While You Read Along

Discover professionally narrated read-along eBooks that allow readers to listen to a story while reading the words on the page.











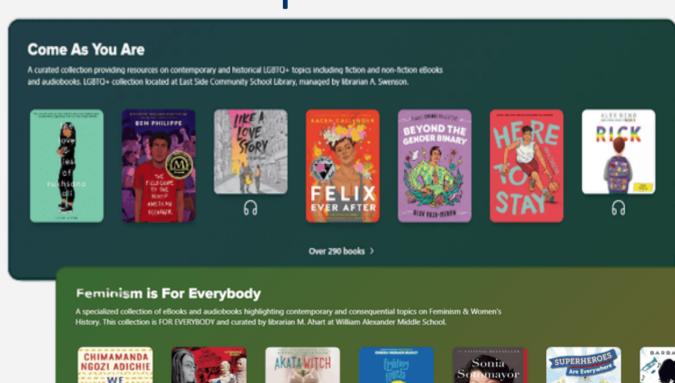




Over 560 books >

## Cooperative Collection Development

- NY State program designed to support resource sharing.
- Past years, each collection was located in specific school library and focused on school's grade band.
- Today, 29 collections have been curated in the CDL spanning a wide range of topics providing equitable access to all NYC DOE and collections are now PreK-12.



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A Picture Is Worth 1.000 Words

Curated graphic novel collection curated by librarian E. Keller @ JHS 278 Marine

















### Sharing collections with students

Sign into Sora and go to the page you want to share.

- CDL is updated monthly with relevant lists
- Sharing collections is as easy as copying a URL
   Copy and then paste to share the URL.
- Allows us to share with individual students, classrooms, schools, etc.





# **Building a Diverse Collection**

#### Subject

BISAC Subject Contains	Count
African American	415
Asian	113
Latin*	231
LGBT*	371
Indigenous OR Native American	67
Disabilities	88
Immigration OR Refugees	156
SEL, Trauma, Prejudice & Racism ("Social	
Themes")	2651
Middle East	38

#### **Authentic Voices**

Creator's Voice	Count
African American	636
Asian American	782
Disabled	65
Indigenous/Native	43
LGBTQ+	242
Latinx	345
Middle Eastern	59
N/A	25
Refugee/Immigrant	2
White	1200

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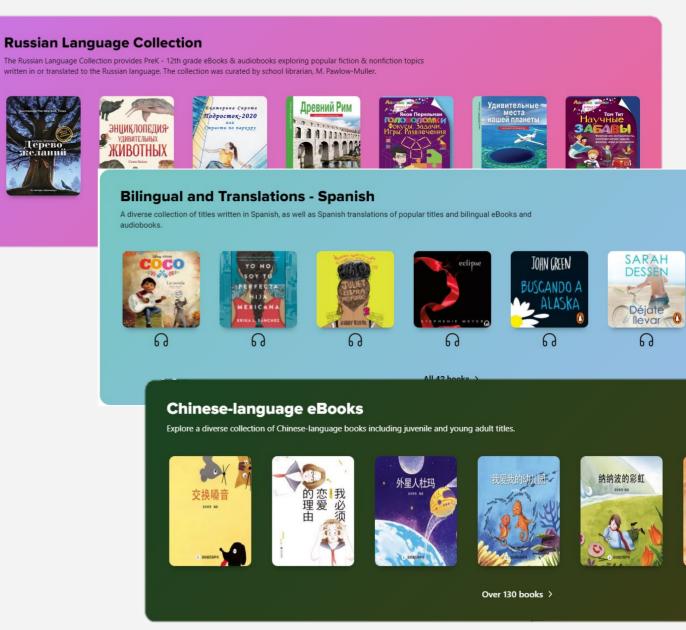
Language of Book	Count
Chinese	120
Chinese, English	12
English	17447
English, Spanish; Castilian	41
English, Russian	2
French	27
German	7
Russian	245
Spanish; Castilian	794
Grand Total	18695

#### **Format**

Formats	Coun
Audiobook	3026
Ebook	15669
Grand Total	18695

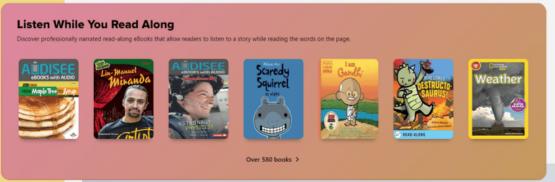
# Languages Other than English

- Working with librarians that are fluent in the target languages to develop collections.
- Combination of eBooks, audiobooks, and Read-alongs to provide support for any ELL or MLL students.
- LOTE content is dependent on certain publisher's rights and infrastructure in the countries of origin.



# Elevating Audiobooks & Read-alongs

- Model pronunciation, pacing, and rhythms suited to each book.
- Allow students to read above grade level.
- Increase access to other languages or dialects.







- Provide an alternative for readers who struggle with visual literacy.
- Mimic having a story read to students.
  - Provide strong readers with opportunities to build critical skills.
  - Offer teens privacy regarding their reading choices and interests.

## Sustainability of the Citywide Digital Library

- Collections curated by NYSED Certified School
   Librarians your personal subject matter
   experts
- Equity of access to all students in the New York
   City Department of Education
- Students have access for their entire career in the DOE
- Investing in collections that will benefit students for years to come

#### Come As You Are

A curated collection providing resources on contemporary and historical LGBTQ+ topics including fiction and non-fiction eBooks and audiobooks. LGBTQ+ collection located at Fastside Community School Library, managed by librarian A. Swenson

Over 70 books >









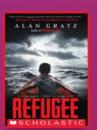




#### **The Immigrant Experience**

Collection highlights the immigrant experience & topics from historical immigration to current issues surrounding illegal immigration, refugee/asylum seekers, as well as the emerging climate migration concerns. Immigration CCD located at Murry Bergtraum Campus Library managed by librarian A. Fink.

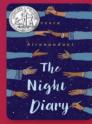










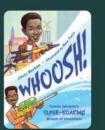


#### One Byte at a Time

Explore a specialized collection of innovation in the Inventions & New Technology collection curated by librarian M. Borger @ Irwin Altman Middle School.



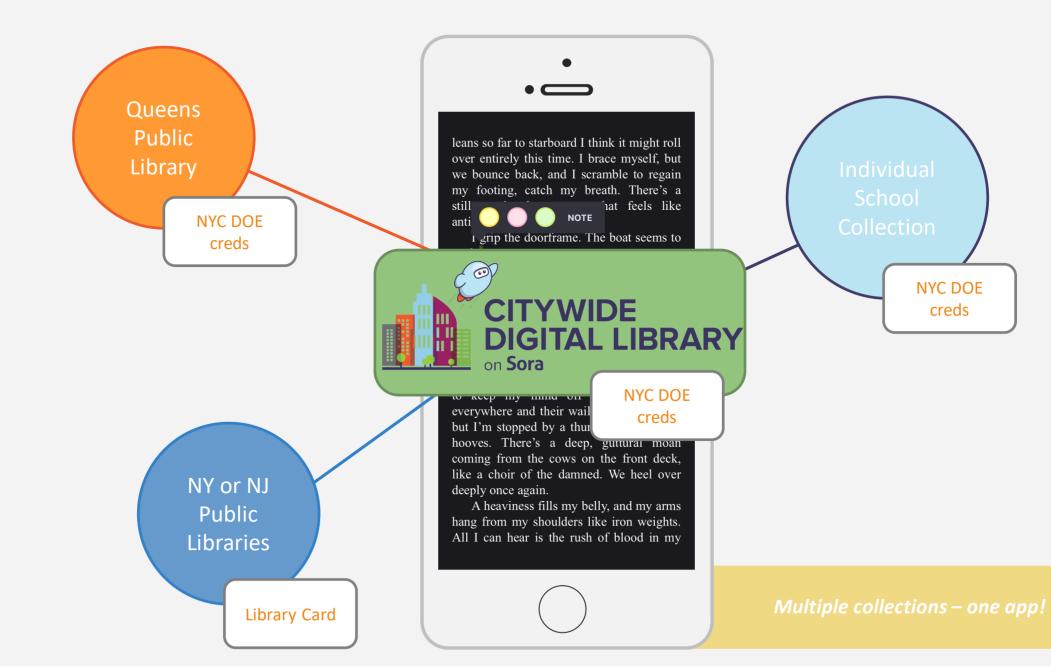














# Questions?





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