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How Can You Help?

MAGNOLIA is supported by funding from the Mississippi Legislature. Please let your local legislative members know what MAGNOLIA project means to your school, libraries and patrons. This is probably the single most important thing you can do to support MAGNOLIA.

You can also assist in spreading the word about MAGNOLIA. Please be sure to talk to your teachers and encourage them to incorporate the MAGNOLIA products into their teaching. Talk to other librarians in your area to be sure they are using MAGNOLIA and encourage them to do so if they are not using these products.

MAGNOLIA Links

K-12 Libraries
<http://magnolia.msstate.edu/k12>

Public Libraries
<http://magnolia.msstate.edu/public/>

Community Colleges
<http://magnolia.msstate.edu/highered/>

Training Tools & Extras
<http://magnolia.msstate.edu/forlibrarians>

How you can help
<http://magnolia.msstate.edu/about/help>



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Visit the MAGNOLIA Website
<http://magnolia.msstate.edu>



What is MAGNOLIA?

MAGNOLIA was established during the May 1997 legislative session, under the auspices of the Council on Educational Technology, when the Mississippi Legislature appropriated funds for the purchase of databases on behalf of the publicly funded libraries (K-12 school libraries, public libraries, community college libraries, university and state agency libraries) in the state of Mississippi. MAGNOLIA was implemented in August 1997.

Without this statewide project, libraries—and especially many smaller libraries—would not have the advantage of, nor the access to, over 6,000 full text journals.

MAGNOLIA represents a unique situation across the nation in that this was the first type of cooperative project/consortium that represented all types of libraries at the time the consortium was established.

How is MAGNOLIA administered?

A Steering Committee composed of representation from all of the types of libraries across Mississippi was established. Committees were formed to represent areas such as database selection, implementation, training, publicity and evaluation.

No funds are spent in the administering of MAGNOLIA. Funds are used only to purchase databases. An untold number of in-kind hours are contributed by the various committee members, representative of all types of libraries.

How does MAGNOLIA help individuals in Mississippi?

The MAGNOLIA databases have been of great benefit to the citizens of Mississippi since August 1997. In addition to searching the databases in libraries, individuals can also access many of the electronic resources available through MAGNOLIA from their home or office computer. Interested researchers can contact their local library for the necessary access information and training.

MAGNOLIA has become a vital component in the education of Mississippi students and is now a significant part of many established curriculums.

What databases are available through MAGNOLIA?

The following is a list of some of the databases provided. Visit the website for a complete listing.

- Academic Search Premier
- Bibliography of Native North Americans
- Book Collection - Nonfiction
- Computer Science Index
- Consumer Health Complete
- Credo Reference
- Environment Complete
- ERIC
- Funk & Wagnalls Encyclopedia
- Garden, Landscape & Horticulture Literature Index
- General Science Collection
- Health Source
- History Reference Center
- Hospitality/Tourism Complete
- Humanities International
- Insurance Periodicals Index
- Theatre and Dance
- Legal Collection
- Literary Reference Center
- MasterFile Premier
- Newspaper Source
- Novelist
- Psychology & Behavioral Sciences
- Religion & Philosophy
- TopicSearch
- Vocational & Career Collection
- Worldcat