Best Practices for Implementing a Themed or Kids Vega Home Page

Solution

Libraries with a Premium or Consortia package have the option to configure a themed home page or use an out-of-the-box theme for kids. For an easier implementation process, please consider the following best practices.

Make a Plan

Brainstorm with your subject matter experts on what component types your page might include. This could include meeting with Teen Advisory Boards to find out what they would find engaging. Try sketching out the flow of your home page before starting to build component images.

Uploading Images

The home page builder will show you the minimum file size, but you can upload a larger image in a different proportion. For background images, experiment with colors and image opacity to customize the look of your home page.

- Canva offers a free option that makes it easy to apply filters, change image sizes, and create templates. *This service is not affiliated with Innovative.*
- Pexels offers royalty free images. *This service is not affiliated with Innovative.*

Limit Content

You can limit content that appears in the search results of your home page, which can be applied to a general or children's theme.

- A library would want to use either Location OR Limit Content, but not both.
    - Use Location to limit a collection site to the entire collection at one or multiple locations.
    - Use Limit Content to specify only children's materials at one or more locations for a Kids or Themed catalog where you are trying to restrict searching to granular selections.
    - Discover's content limits are configured separately from any scopes you may have in Sierra.
- Limit Content
    - Sierra libraries configure content limits using the sub-level hierarchy.
    - Polaris libraries can use Collections, Shelf Locations, or a combination of both.

MARC Records

When you have applied limits to the search results, we recommend testing to ensure you don’t see any unexpected results. It only takes a single item in a roll-up that matches your content limits to trigger all the formats and other locations to display. You may find that you need to edit these records. Read more about troubleshooting roll-ups.

Showcases

When creating showcases for your home page, keep in mind the audience and what you want then to see. You may need to apply more filters when creating showcases.

- Full Resource Card – limit content filters applied
- Showcase component on a home page – limit content filters are not applied
- Showcase page - limit content filters are not applied

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