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## **The BobCat-alog Your Library Resource from Home or School A Guide for Students and Parents**

The four libraries in the Byram Hills Central School District have a state-of-the-art library system thanks to a generous grant from the Byram Hills Education Foundation. This system, known fondly as the BobCat-alog, gives our students improved access to library resources and digital information. Furthermore, there are many features of the BobCat-alog which children (and their parents!) can access from home.

- **Visit the Byram Hills Home Page <[www.byramhills.org](http://www.byramhills.org)>**
  - Click on *Library Services*, select the *BobCat-alog* and then *Wampus*
  - Login using network login and library password
  
- **Using the BobCat-alog**  
(Remember to use *breadcrumbs* along the top, green bar to navigate)
  - **Library Search**
    - **Basic**—Search by keyword, title, author, subject or series
    - **Power**—Narrow your search using “Boolean” operators (AND, OR & NOT), for example Friendship **AND** Schools
    - **Visual Search**—Browse by clicking on pictures
    - **Categories**—See library materials specific to units of study
    - **My Searches**—View your previous searches
  - **My Info**—Review items checked out or status of Holds (Pending or Ready)
  - **Place a Hold**—Reserve a book from home or school to pick up in the library
  - **Resource Lists**—Make personal book lists for pleasure or research
  - **Public Lists**—See resources teachers are recommending
  - **WebPath Express**—Search for age-appropriate, educator-selected websites
  - **One Search**—Search multiple subscription encyclopedias and databases at one time (works best from Power Search)