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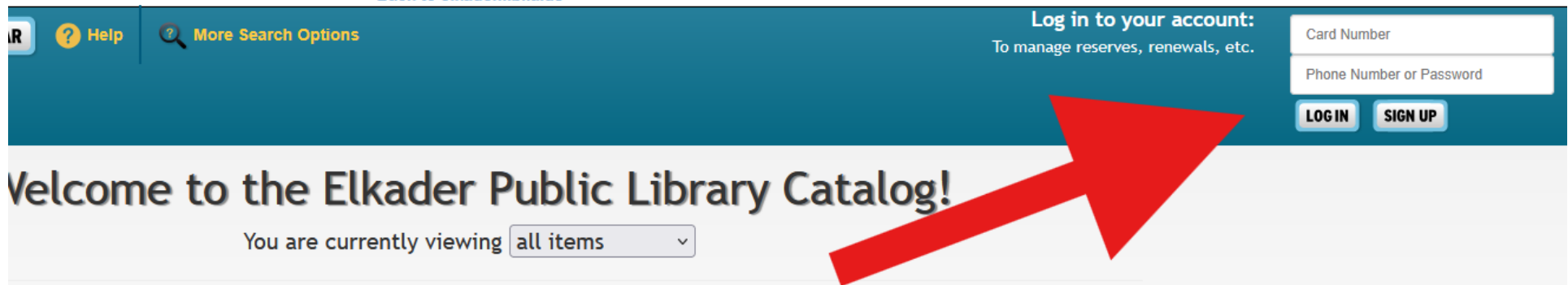
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1. Log into your account using your library card number and password on the Elkader Public Library's catalog page.

► You can find the Elkader Public Library's catalog page in the upper right-hand corner at www.elkader.lib.ia.us or directly at www.elkader.biblionix.com/catalog/

► If you didn't set a unique password, it is most likely the system default which is the phone number you provided when you set up your account which *does* include the area code making it 10-digits long.

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The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Elkader Public Library Catalog. On the left, there are links for 'Help' and 'More Search Options'. On the right, there is a 'Log in to your account:' section with the subtext 'To manage reserves, renewals, etc.'. Below this, there are two input fields: 'Card Number' and 'Phone Number or Password'. At the bottom of these fields are two buttons: 'LOGIN' and 'SIGN UP'. A large red arrow is superimposed on the page, pointing from the bottom center towards the login fields.

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2. Click **My Account** which will cause a drop-down window to appear.

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Email:



3. Click **Reserves/Requests** then **Receive New Items** in the same line where “Reserve Express” is bolded.

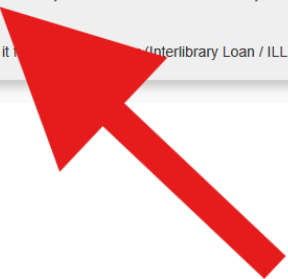
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- **Reserve Express®** - Have some favorite authors? Arrange to [receive new items](#) by selected authors automatically.
- Going out of town? You can [defer](#) your reserves until you get back.
- Is the library missing something? You can [request](#) that we purchase it or borrow it (Interlibrary Loan / ILL).



4. Click **See all available** and select as many authors as you would like.

► By selecting a particular author, you are *opting in* to be added automatically to the reserve list when a new item for that author is added to the collection. The list is randomly generated (unless it is an Adopt-an-Author in which the person who has adopted the author will be set first and everyone else will be part of a randomly generated list to follow) by our catalog system Apollo.

• **Reserve Express® - Have some favorite authors?** Arrange to [receive new items](#) by selected authors automatically.

Reserve Express will automatically place you on the reserve list for new books by selected authors. Changes are effective immediately.

- ☐ Adichie, Chimamanda Ngozi (1977-)
- ☐ Ajayi, Luvvie (Luvvie Ajayi Jones) (1985-)
- ☐ Ajvide Lindqvist, John (1968-)
- ☐ Albert, Susan Wittig (see also: Robin Paige & Carolyn Keene)
- ☐ Albom, Mitch (Mitchell David Albom) (1958-)
- ☐ Alexie, Sherman Jr. (Sherman Joseph Alexie) (1966-)
- ☐ Allende, Isabel (Isabel Angelica Allende Llona) (1942-)
- ☐ America's Test Kitchen (Firm)
- ☐ Anderson, Catherine (Adeline Catherine Anderson) (1948-)
- ☐ Anderson, Laurie Halse (1961-)

5. Sit back and relax! Your changes take effect immediately and you do not need to click save or any other button to save what you have done.

FAQ

Q: What if I change my mind and decide I no longer want to be on the reserve list for <insert author>?

A: It's easy—simply repeat this process, but unselect the box next to that author's name and you will no longer be automatically added to the list when new items arrive. If you change your mind later, you can always add yourself back.

Q: I don't see my favorite author and I know we have their books.

A: Unfortunately, the creators behind Apollo made this a manual process so the librarians have to manually select authors to be seen on this list. If there is an author that you want to be on this list who isn't yet, let us know and we can expedite the process. Otherwise, this is a work in process and we appreciate your patience!