#### **Destiny Student Photo Import**

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## **Importing into Destiny**

Destiny allows mass importing of photos.

To do this, log into one of the sites as the DestinyAdmin. Details for logging in are located in the Destiny Profile doc located in the IT Share under Destiny Documentation. Click on the Back Office tab and select the Upload Pictures link on the left. Simply browse to the zip file containing the photos (details below) and click the Upload button.

Further detailed help can be found by clicking the ? button on the top right. Following are specific instructions for here at Val Verde.

# Zip file containing photos and mapping file

Student photos must be placed in a zip file (no larger than 500MB) along with a mapping file named "idlink.txt". The mapping file has a line for each photo and the line consists of the patron barcode (Student ID) and the name of the photo separated by a comma. For example:

2000012345, 123.jpg 2000054321, 456.jpg

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### Retrieving photos from vendor CD

If photos are being taken from a vendor CD of student photos, such as from Lifetouch, the mapping file should already be included (verify that it is in the correct format). You should simply be able to add the photos and mapping file (once renamed) to a zip file.

### **Retrieving photos from ABI Servers**

If a CD is not available you can retrieve the photos from one of the ABI servers.

All current student photos are on the Aeries.Net server (used to be the ABI servers). They are located in shared folders with the name of the site. For example, March Middle School's photos can be found at: \\SIT-AeriesWeb\\295

You can run the Student Photo Queries script to aid this process. It will create a script for a batch file that will pull all the current photo info from Aeries and the photos from the ABI server. It will also create the necessary idlink.txt file and zip all the files together for easy uploading into Destiny.

Simply update the script as needed (adding or removing school sites and changing the c:\pics\ output path if desired) and run it with output set to Text, not Table. Remove any of the "---" lines and save the results as a batch file, such as c:\pics\get-photos.bat. Open a command line window, navigate to c:\pics and run the batch file. Once it is complete you will see a zip file for each school site listed in the script.