INFOhio Resources Grades 6-12
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To access these sites, go to www.infohio.org then click on Grades K-5. These sites are password protected when accessing outside of school. U/N: infohio P/W: power

Biography Reference Bank Articles about more than a half-million people, most in full text, from around the world.

- Limit results by magazine articles, interviews, biographies, etc.
- There is a read aloud feature.
- Images are available also.
- Articles can be saved, emailed, etc.
- Citation information is available.

Consumer Health Complete Provides content covering all areas of health and wellness from mainstream medicine to the many perspectives of complementary, holistic and integrated medicine.

- Includes medical dictionary, evidence-based reports, encyclopedias and reference books, fact sheets and pamphlets, news and magazines, drug and herb information, alternative sources, images and diagrams, videos and animations.
- Quick find allows the user to find a disease, procedure etc. by the letter of the alphabet.

Digital Video Collection Includes hundreds of digital videos that have been made available at no cost to Ohio K-12 districts.

- Provides access to thousands of videos on topics across the curriculum.
- Search for a specific topic or browse by topic or series.
- Once the desired video is found, it can be streamed or downloaded in a variety of formats.
- Some videos include teacher resources and related web site links.
- Long videos are segmented to allow small portions to be shown.
- If there is a video you would like to have added, contact your librarian or email me at nrws_hines@tccsa.net.

EBSCOhost All Database Search Articles from more than 6,000 magazines and newspapers are indexed, most in full text, from children’s magazines to professional research journals.

- The All Database Search allows the user to select which of the 26 databases to search. There are some general databases and some subject specific databases.
- When searching through All Databases, be sure to check the Full Text box so that the results will only contain full articles.
- The user can also choose to check the Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals box if scholarly articles are required.
- There are several other limiters, such as publication, publication date, etc.
- There are different limiters available for the specific databases as well.
- Advanced Search offers several search boxes where the field can be changed (author, subject, source, etc.) and Boolean operators can be used.
- Once the search is complete, there are limiters available on the left side of the screen.
- Sometimes the user may need to click a link or look for a PDF to view the full article.
- Once the desired article is found, there are options such as Print, Email, Save to folder, etc. on the right side of the screen. Permalink provides a URL to that article. Do not copy the
URL from the search bar, it will not work later! Also, Find Similar Results on the left side of the screen will do a new search for similar articles.

- If an account is created, users can save articles and notes for later or create an email alert for search results. (This is a nice option for topics of professional interest also.)
- Some articles have a listen feature which will read the article out loud.

EBSCOhost Student Research Center EBSCO databases selected with middle school researchers in mind.

- Results may vary slightly when searching from Grades 6-8 as compared to searching from Grades 9-12 based on what is appropriate for the user.
- Users can select which types of information sources they would like in their search results before they search.
- Results can be limited by publication, publication date, Lexile, etc.
- Advanced Search offers several search boxes where users can change the field they are searching (author, subject, source, etc.) and use Boolean operators.
- In the results list, users can narrow results by subject or publication. Also, the search results can be filtered by the type of source.
- Once the user finds an article, it can be printed, saved, emailed, etc. There is also a Find More Like This link which will do a new search for similar articles.
- If an account is created, users can save articles and notes for later or create an email alert for search results. (This is a nice option for topics of professional interest also.)
- If you do not create an account, be sure to copy the Persistent Link (Permalink) to get back to the article later. Do not copy the URL from the search bar, it will not work later!

**If your students like Google Scholar, but can’t find the articles, they can search for them in EBSCO!**

**Tip:** If you would like your students to focus on reading the articles and not finding them, try using Symbaloo to collect the articles so your students can get to them with one click!

Example: [http://edu.symbaloo.com/shared/AAAABsKo7C4AA42ACqSOxw==](http://edu.symbaloo.com/shared/AAAABsKo7C4AA42ACqSOxw==)

**Enciclopedia Estudiantil Hallazgos** Online Spanish language encyclopedia that is appropriate for younger Spanish-speaking students and students just learning the Spanish language.

**Gran Enciclopedia Hisp√nica** Comprehensive Spanish-language encyclopedia from World Book Inc. and Hisp√nica Saber. It is written from a Latin American perspective and the content is updated monthly.

**L’Encyclopedie Decouverte** Online French language encyclopedia that is appropriate for younger French-speaking students and students just learning the French language.

**Learning Express Library** More than 100 programs to learn, practice and prepare for tests on a variety of subjects in elementary, middle and high school.

- Provides eBooks, tutorials and practice tests for a variety of topics and tests.
- Students can take the practice test then have it scored and see the correct answers with explanations.
- Users must create an account to log in and take tests. The test results are found under My Center.
**Literary Reference Center** Provides a broad spectrum of information on thousands of authors and their works across literary disciplines and timeframes.

- Includes biographical information on authors, literary criticism, plot summaries, reviews, etc.
- Advanced search allows the user to search by author’s cultural identity, literary character or locale, etc.
- Some full text available.

**Literature Online: American & English Literature** Full-text, searchable works available online to supplement your library's print collections. Poetry, drama and fiction are included.

**Points of View Reference Center** Presents articles supporting multiple sides of current issues from which students can develop persuasive arguments and essays while developing their analytical thinking skills.

- Students can search for a particular topic, see what topics are in the news currently, or browse through topics by category. (It is best to try to find the topic in Browse by Category because a search may find only magazine or newspaper articles and not the point/counterpoint articles if the wrong search terms are use.)
- Advanced search allows students to limit their search by publication date, type of document, type of publication, etc.
- Once a topic is selected, the student will be taken to an overview article. On the right side of the screen, you can click on the Point or Counterpoint icon to go to that article.
- The Guide to Critical Analysis offers some good teaching tools to use before and during reading, to determine fact and opinion, etc.
- For some articles, there are pictures and a “What experts say...” section as well.
- There is a Research Guides sections which covers how to do a few different tasks related to research/writing/debating such as writing a topic sentence, etc.
- At the end of each Point/Counterpoint article there are questions to ponder.
- References are provided at the end of each article.
- On the left side of the screen there are links to related information from magazines, newspapers, etc.
- This database has the same options as EBSCO for printing, saving, etc.
- There is a listen feature where the site will read the article out loud.

**ProQuest Ancestry Library Edition** Billions of records in census data, vital records, directories, photos and more. Access is available while at school or your local public library only.

- Your school’s IP address must be registered to use this resource.

**Science Online** Thousands of essays on major topics and issues in science, math and technology, along with illustrations, experiments, activities and biographies.

- Includes diagrams, experiments, biographies, timelines, videos and animations
- Users can also explore by content areas such as chemistry, forensic science, etc.
- Includes a daily feature article and a science in the news section.

**Science Reference Center** Easy access to a multitude of full-text, science-oriented content. Science Reference Center contains full text for hundreds of science encyclopedias, reference books, and periodicals.

- Browse by scientific field or search for a specific topic.
• Advanced search options include searching by benchmark, lexile, etc.
• Includes science experiments, citation information, research guide, etc.

**World Book Student** Tailored for students in elementary and middle schools. Includes all articles from the print versions of the World Book, plus additional articles, learning resources, and research tools.
• Geared toward upper elementary/middle school.
• Includes a Citation Builder and How to do Research for Students and for Teachers.
• Create an account to save articles, web sites and citations.
• Advanced search allows the user to search by Lexile level.
• After searching, the different types of resources available are listed in the left hand column.
• In the article, the user can print or email it, highlight the search term, have the text read aloud, double click a word for the definition, etc.
• Long articles have a clickable table of contents on the left side.
• Citations in multiple formats are listed at the bottom of the article.
• In the Educator Tools section, standards are given with links to correlated articles. There are also printable blank graphic organizers and links to lesson plan sites.

**World Book Advanced** Powerful reference tool that includes encyclopedia, multimedia, e-book, and primary source databases, fully integrated in a single search.
• Geared toward high school students.
• Includes a Citation Builder as well as eBooks and primary sources.
• Has pathfinders that gather resources on popular topics.
• Create an account to save articles, web sites and citations.
• Advanced search allows the user to search by Lexile level.
• After searching, the different types of resources available are listed in the left hand column.
• In the article, the user can print or email it, highlight the search term, have the text read aloud, double click a word for the definition, etc.
• Long articles have a clickable table of contents on the left side.
• Citations in multiple formats are listed at the bottom of the article.
• In the Educator Tools section, standards are given with links to correlated articles. There are also printable blank graphic organizers and links to lesson plan sites.

**World Book Academic** Comprehensive reference tool that includes encyclopedia, multimedia, e-book, and primary source databases, fully integrated in a single search.
• Geared toward upper high school.
• Includes the same features as World Book Advanced
• Includes Research 101 and Writing Center which gives basic information about researching and writing.

**World Book Timelines** *Timelines* allows students to discover and map important events in society and culture with accurate information powered by World Book’s wealth of knowledgeable resources. There are over 400 ready-made timelines to learn from!
• Look at timelines that have already been created or create your own.
• Allows students to search for media and events to add or create their own.
INFOhio’s IMatrix
imatrix.infohio.org

The IMatrix focuses on resources that will help students K-12 with the inquiry process in Language Arts, Science, Math, and Social Studies. It is broken down into the Six key Dimensions of Inquiry which include:

1. Questioning
2. Locating Information
3. Evaluating Information
4. Applying Information
5. Sharing Knowledge
6. Reflecting on Learning

The IMatrix can be searched by Block, Standard, or Standard progression. In the results you will find Cross Curricular Connections, Assessment, College and Career Readiness, and Instructional Strategies and Resources.

**GO!: Ask, Act, Achieve**
http://go.infohio.org/

This site has collected resources to help students through the entire research process from deciding on a topic, to finding, evaluating and organizing information, to publishing and evaluating the final product. Have students go through the resources themselves, or pick and choose the resources for them.

**Research 4 Success**
http://educators.infohio.org/r4s

The Research 4 Success course is designed for high school students grades 11 and 12. R4S is designed to be facilitated by teachers in conjunction with a research project. Upon completion of R4S students will have the skills to conduct research successfully in college and careers.