

# INFOhio FYI

## Electronic Resources Supporting Instruction

Teaching students to be skilled locators and users of electronic information is a tremendous challenge. It can be especially difficult now that...

- there is more information available to students than ever before
- almost anyone can set up a Web site and post information
- users often value a Web page based on how it looks rather than the content and source
- technology changes almost before we learn how to use it
- information literacy skills are part of Ohio standards

INFOhio offers a carefully selected set of electronic resources to serve all K-12 students throughout the state. In addition to the actual resources, INFOhio offers a wide variety of material specifically designed to help you use our electronic resources with your students! You can learn the features of each specific resource and find ready-made tools to teach your students how to use the various databases.

The screenshot shows the INFOhio website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, SEARCH, SITEMAP, SUGGESTIONS, and DAS DOCS. Below this is the INFOhio logo and the tagline "THE INFORMATION NETWORK FOR OHIO SCHOOLS". There are three user role buttons: EDUCATOR, LIBRARY STAFF, and STUDENT/PARENT. A central banner states: "INFOhio's state-funded resources free to all Ohio's K-12 students and teachers. Username and password required for home access; see your school library media specialist." Below the banner are several resource buttons: "RESOURCES FOR Grades K-6", "RESOURCES FOR Grades 4-8", "RESOURCES FOR Grades 7-12", "Core Collection", "ONLINE CATALOG", "ohio media resources", "CURRICULUM RESOURCE CATALOG", and "OH!Teach". At the bottom, there are buttons for "About INFOhio", "Contact Information", "New and Upcoming", and "Other Resources".

Callout boxes provide additional information:

- A callout box pointing to the EDUCATOR button says: "Your link to helpful materials specifically for educators!"
- A callout box pointing to the OH!Teach button says: "Your source for Web links to professional organizations, great Web sites to support instruction and much more."
- A callout box pointing to the "New and Upcoming" button says: "Learn the latest about INFOhio."

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**EDUCATOR** ⓘ

Click here to see lessons and units submitted by Ohio educators.

Working on Alignments—then check out the Academic Content Standard benchmarks with supporting grade level indicators.

If you develop a lesson/unit you would like to share, please fill out the online submission form.

**OH! Teach** is a collaborative project of **OPLIN & INFOhio** and provides linked information for Ohio's classroom teachers, school library media specialists, and other educators.

To get started, choose a sub-topic that interests you.

- Need some new *lesson plan ideas*?
- How about connections to *professional organizations* or *e-zines* related to education?
- Why not try some of the *innovative teaching techniques*?
- What about exploring *new subject sites* to enhance the classroom curriculum?



**CORE COLLECTION**

- AccessScience
- American Nat. Biography
- AMICO Library
- Annals of Am. History
- Britannica Online
- EBSCOhost
- Enc. Universal en Español
- Literature Online
- NewsBank Newspapers
- Ohio Landsat 7 Images
- Oxford Reference Online
- Sarban Insurance Maps
- SIRS Discoverer

**CORE COLLECTION BY GRADE LEVEL**

- K-6
- 7-12

Need help with access? Check our [FAQs](#). **NEW!**

INFOhio's Core Collection provides state-funded resources free to all Ohio's K-12 students and teachers for the 2003-2004 school year.

A username and password are required for home access; see your school library media specialist.

Several resources are funded in part through an Institute of Museum and Library Services LSTA grant awarded by the State Library of Ohio.

**INFOhio's Electronic Resources Core Collection for 2003-2004**

	<b>AccessScience.</b> Access to more than 7,100 articles, 115,000 dictionary terms and hundreds of "Research Updates" in all areas of science and technology.	
	<b>American National Biography.</b> More than 18,000 articles about famous Americans no longer living. Many articles include helpful Web links.	
	<b>AMICO Library.</b> Online image collection of paintings, sculptures, drawings, photographs, textiles, costumes, jewelry and more, from earliest times to the present.	
	<b>Annals of American History.</b> More than 2,000 primary source documents and 700 pieces of multimedia from Encyclopaedia Britannica.	
	<b>Britannica Online School Edition.</b> Three encyclopedias (100,000+ articles), atlas, dictionary, images and video clips, reviewed Web sites, magazine articles and more.	
	<b>EBSCOhost.</b> Articles from more than 6,000 magazines and newspapers are indexed, most in full text, from children's magazines to professional research.	
	<b>Enciclopedia Universal en Español.</b> Online version of the Spanish language encyclopedia published by Encyclopaedia Britannica.	
	<b>Literature Online from Chadwyck-Healer.</b> Full-text, searchable works available online to supplement your library's print collections. Poetry, drama and fiction are included.	
	<b>NewsBank Newspapers.</b> A collection of full-text newspapers available online. More than 15 titles are Ohio publications.	
	<b>Ohio Landsat 7 Satellite Images.</b> Satellite images of Ohio.	

Click on the Info (i) button to access Help Resources that you can use to learn more about INFOhio's electronic databases.

Download ready-to-use PowerPoints for yourself or show them to your students. You may adapt these materials to suit your needs!

These help pages include links to **Tutorials, Tip Sheets and Quick Start Guides!**

SITE SEARCH | SITEMAP | SUGGESTIONS | DAS DOCS

ABOUT INFOhio EDUCATOR LIBRARY STAFF STUDENT/PARENT

### Help Resources for EBSCOhost

**Access EBSCOhost at school and at home.** Any Ohio K-12 educator, student and their parents can use the state-funded INFOhio Electronic Resources free-of-charge. Home access requires a username and password available from your school's library media center.

[Online Help](#)

**Page Composer Resources**  
[Sample Page Composer applications](#), created by INFOhio users.

**PowerPoint Presentations**  
[Keeping Up: EBSCOhost's "Alert" Feature](#). By Ann Tepe, INFOhio Consultant, October 2002 [16 slides]  
[Professional Research Using the INFOhio EBSCO Periodical Index](#). By Sheila Benedum, Bay Village High School Library Media Specialist, January 2003 [46 slides]  
[Welcome to EBSCO's Searchasaurus](#). By Sheila Benedum, Bay Village High School Library Media Specialist, August 2002 [24 slides]

**Quick Start Guides and Tip Sheets**  
[EBSCOhost Quick Start Guide, August 2002](#). [MS Word 2 pgs]  
[EBSCOhost Web User's Guide, Ver. 6.0](#). [PDF 22 pgs]  
[My EBSCOhost Users Guide, June 2003](#) [PDF, 22 pgs] **NEW!**  
[New Features of Searchasaurus, August 2001 Release](#). [PDF 8 pgs]  
[Saving a Search as an Alert](#), November 4, 2002. [MS Word OR PDF 1 pg]

**Title Lists**

**Tutorials**  
[Basic Search Virtual Tour for Colleges and Universities](#). [webex® Multimedia presentation]  
[Basic Search Virtual Tour for Public Libraries](#). [webex® Multimedia presentation]  
[Advanced Search with Simple Find Virtual Tour](#). [webex® Multimedia presentation]  
[Advanced Search, Guided Style Virtual Tour](#). [webex® Multimedia presentation]  
[Advanced Search with Search Builder Virtual Tour](#). [webex® Multimedia presentation]

You can go directly to the database or...

## STUDENT/PARENT

- Core Collection
- Multimedia Tools
- Online Catalogs
- Other Resources
- Vendor Preview 2003

## Other Online Resources



**A.D.A.M. Health Illustrated Encyclopedia**. In-depth information, color illustrations and animations on over 1,500 media topics; provided by NetWellness.



**American Memory**. Primary source materials for U.S. history and culture from the Library of Congress.



**FirstGov**. A search engine for 31+ million U.S. Government Web pages.



**FirstGov for Kids**. A search engine for U.S. Government Web pages for children and links to other sites.



**Librarians' Index to the Internet**. Index to more than 10,000 Internet resources selected and evaluated by librarians.



**MEDLINEplus**. Health information from the National Library of Medicine.



**NetWellness**. Health information from Ohio's major medical centers and much more.



**OH! Kids**. Activities, information and learning tools especially for tots, kids, and tweens.



**OH! Kids WebTweens**. Cool sites for 9-11 year olds, for school and for fun.



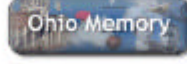
**Ohio Bicentennial**. Celebrate Ohio's 200th birthday in 2003.



**Ohio Historical Society**. Information about Ohio's past and many of the sites important to our state's history.



**Ohio Historical Society's Ohio Kids!** An online encyclopedia of Ohio history, Bicentennial stuff, and more.



**Ohio Memory Project**. Ohio historical treasures in an online scrapbook of primary sources.

HELPY  
RESOURCES



**State of Ohio**. Information about Ohio's executive, judicial, and legislative branches.

Don't forget—INFOhio has direct links to valuable **Other Resources** which are also free for you to use!

INFOhio's Core Collection Electronic Resources are available for all K-12 educators and students to use at school and from home with Internet accessible computers.

If you cannot access the resources, a one-time entry of a username and password is required. School library media specialists, technology coordinators or administrators can distribute the username and password to students and parents.

#### Need usernames and passwords?

Contact the DASite that provides INFOhio services in your region [www.infohio.org/About/dasites.html](http://www.infohio.org/About/dasites.html)



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