

ERIC (Educational Resources Information Center)

Coverage: 1966 to present

Full Text: Some links to full text

Description: ERIC is the most comprehensive education database there is. It includes citations and abstracts to both journal and report literature in the field of education and education-related areas. Journal literature corresponds to [CIJE](#) , [Current Index to Journals in Education](#). Report literature corresponds to [RIE](#), [Resources in Education](#). **Note:** With the privatization of ERIC, the database has been undergoing change.

Education Full Text

Coverage: 1983 to present

Full Text: A goodly amount

Description: H.W. Wilson's Education databases cover 423 core international periodicals, monographs, and yearbooks. Topics include a wide range of contemporary education issues, including government funding, instructional media, multicultural education, religious education, student counseling, competency-based, and information technology.

Professional Development Collection

Coverage: Some titles date back to 1965

Full Text: Yes

Description: Designed for professional educators and provides a highly specialized collection of high-quality education journals.

Gale Virtual Reference Library and CREDO Reference

Full Text: Yes

Description: Includes education-related, online resources, such as [The College Blue Book](#) and others.

K-12 Databases

These include **Student Research Center**, **Primary Search**, **Middle Search**, **MAS Ultra: School Edition** (geared to the high school level), and **Kids Search**. **Lexile Reading Levels** or indicators are assigned to many full-text articles contained in these databases. **SEE:** a fuller description of **Student Research Center** below.

Student Research Center

Coverage: Varies

Full Text: A good amount

Description: This is a more graphical interface, with icons representing different types of materials—Magazines, Newspapers, Reference Works & Encyclopedias, Radio and TV Transcripts, Primary Source Documents, and Photos, Maps & Flags. It is possible to do cross-database searching (searching several databases at one time) by clicking on the **Teacher Resources Tab** near the top of the search screen. Three databases can be searched simultaneously—**Academic Search Premier**, **ERIC**, and the **Professional Development Collection**.

Academic Search Complete

Coverage: 1975 to present

Full Text: A goodly amount

Description: A good starting part for research on just about any topic. Includes peer-reviewed and scholarly journal articles. **Note:** Content that appeared in the **Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection Database** can now be found here.

Educational Administration Abstracts (Also available in print from 1976 to 2006. **SEE** below.)

Coverage: 1938 to present

Full Text: Some

Description: Includes bibliographic records covering essential areas related to educational administration, including educational leadership, educational management, educational research, and other areas of key relevance to the discipline.

Psychology & Behavioral Sciences Collection

Coverage: 1965 to present

Full Text: Some

Description: Contains full text articles from journals in Psychology and related fields, including peer-reviewed titles.

PsycINFO

Coverage: 1967 to present

Full Text: Some

Description: Comprehensive psychology index, including educational psychology and other topics of interest to educators. The electronic equivalent of Psychological Abstracts (Ref Z 7201 .P65).

Dissertations and Theses: Full Text

Coverage: 1997 to present

Full Text: Yes

Description: This is a **full-text** database of dissertations and select theses from accredited U.S. institutions, but only from recent years.

Dissertation Abstracts International

Coverage: 1861 to present

Full Text: No

Description: References to dissertations from accredited U.S. institutions, as well as selected masters theses. This database is not a full text database.

Social Sciences Citation Index

Coverage: 1956 to present

Full Text: Some

Description: Covers thousands of journals in the social sciences. Thousands of the world's leading scientific journals are also indexed here. Tracking the number of times articles have been cited is one of the most useful features of this database.

Social Sciences Abstracts

Coverage: 1983 to present

Full Text: No

Description: One of the Wilson databases

Vocational & Career Collection

Coverage: 1985 to present

Full Text: Some

Description: Coverage of trade- and industry-related periodicals.

WorldCat

Coverage: Before 1000 BC to present.

Full Text: No, except for links to full-text Web sites

Description: The largest online catalog in the world. It is possible to find out what hundreds of libraries throughout the world own in the way of books, journals, media, and so on. It is also possible to limit sets of search results to **Internet Resources** that have been selected for inclusion because of their quality.

Internet Resources

Educator's Reference Desk

Location: <http://www.eduref.org>

Description: A project of the Information Institute of Syracuse. Includes Lesson Plans, Resource Guides by subject, and Question Archives to over 200 responses to popular questions relating to education. With the privatization of the ERIC system, "the backbone of national education information services for over 35 years," and the end of AskERIC, the education e-mail reference service, ERD endeavors to build on what was begun with AskERIC and similar resources.

Education World: where educators go to learn

Location: <http://www.education-world.com/>

Description: Includes lesson plans, curriculum, education site reviews, links to other Web sites, etc. Especially good for K-12 instructors.

PBS Teachers: Resources for the Classroom

Location: <http://www.pbs.org/teachers/>

Description: This site from the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) contains a wealth of teaching materials (including lesson plans), has good site organization, and local as well as national resources.

Teachers (Library of Congress)

Location: <http://www.loc.gov/teachers/>

Description: Created by the Library of Congress to serve as a "dashboard" for education by linking to many of the institution's educational resources, including lesson plans and high-quality digitized holdings such as the American Memory Collection.

Teaching and Learning in the Digital Age

Location: <http://www.historians.org/tl/>

Description: Attractive site from the American Historical Association, with well-maintained links.

World Lecture Hall

Location: <http://www.utexas.edu/world/lecture/>

Description: Provides access to Web pages created by educators throughout the world. Compiled by TeamWeb at UT at Austin. Sites include course syllabi, assignments, exams, multimedia textbooks, etc. Offers an alphabetical listing of subject areas containing online material.

Counseling: Resources for Students, Consumers, and Professionals

Location: <http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/acrl/publications/crlnews/2005/jun/counseling.cfm>

Description: This Internet Resources site from the Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) is an annotated list of many useful sites for counselors.

TeacherLingo

Location: <http://www.teacherlingo.com/>

Description: A comprehensive blog community for educators. The site allows users to sign up for an account, create their own blogs, and connect to others in the community. Contains lesson plans, teaching ideas, book reviews, etc. Covers elementary through college levels, including specialized areas, such as ESL and special education. Lesson plans can be searched by subject, grade level, or keyword. Very user-friendly.

Dr. Mac's Amazing Behavior Management Advice Site

Location: <http://www.behavioradvisor.com/>

Description: Engaging Web resource for teachers struggling with students' behavior in the classroom. A "veritable encyclopedia of how-to information for dealing with specific problem behaviors."

National Center for Case Study Teaching in Science

Location: <http://ublib.buffalo.edu/libraries/projects/cases/case.html>

Description: Directed by faculty at the University of Buffalo in support of the use of case studies in education. Of great value to anyone teaching science at the high school, undergraduate, or graduate level. Easy to use.

21st Century Skills

Location: <http://www.21stcenturyskills.org/>

Description: "The leading advocacy organization infusing 21st century skills into education."

Print Resources

Dictionaries:

Dictionary of Educational Terms (LB 15 .B35)

Dictionary of Multimedia: Terms & Acronyms (Ref QA 76.15 .H318)

Historical Dictionary of American Education (E-book available through the **netLibrary** database listed on the Bell Library's Databases Web page)

Encyclopedias:

Encyclopedia of Education (Ref LB 15 .E47) 8 vols. Also available online through the **Gale Virtual Reference Library**.

Encyclopedia of Educational Psychology (Ref LB 1050.9 .E63 v. 1-2)

Encyclopedia of Educational Leadership and Administration (Ref LB 2805 .E527)

Encyclopedia of Educational Research (Ref LB 15 .E48)

Encyclopedia of Bilingual Education (Ref LC 3707 .E523 v.1-2)

Encyclopedia of Exercise, Sport, and Health (Ref RC 1206 .B78)

Encyclopedia of Evaluation (Ref H 62 .E583)

Encyclopedia of Learning and Memory (Ref BF 318 .E53)

Encyclopedia of Early Childhood Education (LB 1139.25 .E53)

Encyclopedia of Recreation and Leisure in America (Ref GV 53 .E53)

Encyclopedia of School Psychology (Ref LB 1027.55 .E52)

Encyclopedia of Learning Disabilities (Ref LC 4704.5 .T86)

Encyclopedia of Special Education: a Reference for the Education of the Handicapped and Other Exceptional Children and Adults (Ref LC 4007 .E53) 3 vols.

Encyclopedia of Sports Medicine (Ref RC 1206 .O355)

International Companion Encyclopedia of Children's Literature (Ref PN 1008.5 .I57)

Indexes:

Educational Administration Abstracts (Ref LB 2805 .E32) Also available electronically. **SEE Databases** above.
Coverage: 1976 to 2006

Child Development Abstracts and Bibliography (Ref Z 7204 .C5C5)
Coverage: 1982 to present

Social Sciences Citation Index (Ref Z 7161 .S65) Also available online as **Social Sciences Citation Index**, part of **Web of Science**
Coverage: 1976 to 2003 (Online coverage is 1956 to present.)
Description: Unique index to the international literature of the social sciences in that it indicates when and where an author is cited by other authors.

Handbooks:

A Handbook for Beginning Teachers (Ref LB 1025.3 .M33)

The Educator's Desk Reference: a Sourcebook of Educational Information and Research (Ref LB 1028.27 .U6F74)

Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders: DSM-IV-TR [Text Revised] (Reference Desk RC 455.2 .C4D54)
Also available online through **STATRef!**

Sage Handbook for Research in Education: Engaging Ideas and Enriching Inquiry (LB 1028 .S14)

Sage Handbook of Educational Leadership (Ref LB 2805 .S262)

Alternative Schools: a Reference Handbook (Ref LC 46.4 .C66)

Elementary Education: a Reference Handbook (Ref LB 1555 .H297)

Literacy and Learning: a Reference Handbook (Ref LC 151 .B58)

Multicultural and Diversity Education: a Reference Handbook (Ref LC 1099.3 .A66)

Understanding Educational Reform: a Reference Handbook (Ref LA 209.2 .H58)

Child Abuse Sourcebook (Ref HV 6626.52 .C557)

Handbook of Educational Ideas and Practices (Ref LB 17 .H267)

Handbook of Research on Curriculum (Ref LB 1570 .H264)

Handbook of Research on Social Studies Teaching and Learning (Ref LB 1584 .H275)

Handbook of Research on Teaching the English Language Arts (Ref LB 1576 .H234)

School Psychology for the 21st Century: Foundations and Practices (LB 1027.55 .M47)

Sports, Exercise, and Fitness: Guide to Reference and Information Sources (Ref GV 704 .A55)

Tests and Measurements:

The Mental Measurements Yearbook (Reference Desk Z 5814 .P8B932)

Description: Published by the Buros Institute. Educational, psychological, and personality tests and measurements are critiqued by experts in the field. Publisher information is included. A Web-based index to the MMY is now available at <http://www.unl.edu/buros/>. Click on “Test Reviews Online” to find out which edition of MMY contains critiques of particular tests. This index, however, is not comprehensive. The full text of the critiques can be found in the print volumes at the Reference Desk.

Tests in Print; an Index to Tests, Test Reviews, and the Literature on Specific Tests (Reference Desk Ref Z 5814 .E9T47)

Laws:

Deskbook Encyclopedia of American School Law, updated annually (Ref KF 4114 .D4)

Vernon’s Texas Codes Annotated. Education Code (Ref KFT 1230.5 .V45)

Yearbook of School Law (Ref KF 4102.5 .Y4)

SEE ALSO: **Lexis/Nexis Academic Database** and/or **Westlaw Campus Research** subscribed to by Bell Library.

Textbooks and Curriculum Materials:

State-adopted textbooks and those being considered for adoption. Grade-by-grade arrangement, and within grade by subject. Shelved on the 2nd floor in the Textbook/Curriculum Area. Call numbers begin with “CUR”. High school texts will have the number “9” on the spine. Use Bell Library’s online catalog, Portal, to access this collection or simply browse.

Government Information

Electronic Resources

ED.gov

Location: <http://www.ed.gov/>

Description: A primary source on the U.S. government’s policy and resources relating to education. The site is strongest on postsecondary aid programs, current leadership initiatives, and educational equity. Of most value to teachers are the **Teaching Resources** and **One-Stop for Lesson Ideas** links that provide comprehensive access to education sites listed in **FREE: Federal Resources for Educational Excellence** and **GEM: Gateway to 21st Century Skills**. Also included in the Teachers section are guides for student teachers—**Survival Guide for New Teachers** and **What to Expect Your First Year**.

National Center for Education Statistics (NCES)

Location: <<http://nces.ed.gov/>>

Description: The congressionally mandated center is the primary organization that collects, collates, analyzes, and reports statistics on American education. Includes statistical data from five resources of the NCES: Condition of Education, Digest of Education Statistics, Projections of Education Statistics, Projections of Education Statistics, Education Indicators, and Youth Indicators.

Education Service Center Region 20 in San Antonio

Location: <http://web.esc20.net/k12databases/>

Description: This service center has created a Web site to help K-12 incorporate K-12 TexShare databases into lesson plans and classroom activities. This site is a wonderful resource. The **TexSupport** link at the site takes users to many resources, including “recipes” for lesson plans. Region 20 plans to continually add materials to this site.

Texas Education Agency

Location: <<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/>>

Description: Official site of the TEA, based in Austin. Includes links to many, many resources for educators, including TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) and TAKS (Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills) information.

Federal Documents:

Digest of Education Statistics (ED 1.326:995) Latest edition at Reference Desk. Also available online at <http://nces.ed.gov>. Check under “Publications.”

Condition of Education (ED 1.109:) Latest edition at Reference Desk. Also available online at <http://nces.ed.gov>.

Texas State Documents:

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) On permanent Reserves. Also available electronically through the TEA Web site at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/teks/>. Supersedes **Essential Elements**.

Texas School Directory (E 500.5 SCH65) Latest edition at Reference Desk. Also available online through the TEA Web site, at <http://mansfield.tea.state.tx.us/tea.askted.web/Forms/Home.aspx> under the “Reports and Directories” tab.

Snapshot (E 500.8 SN14) Latest edition at Reference Desk. Profiles Texas School Districts and student performance. Also available online through the TEA Web site, at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/snapshot/>.

Texas School Law Bulletin (E 500.4 .P96)

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