Syracuse City School District – Library Links

Easy eResources - Overview

The SCSD Libraries provide a variety of online resources for use by our students. Below you will find an overview of each resource available on the Easy eResources section of our website. Unless otherwise noted in the resource description, the login information for each resource is:

Username: syrsls

Password: syrsls

English Language Arts



<u>BookFlix</u> – A collection of paired books (usually 1 picture book, 1 non-fiction picture book) based on a common theme. One book will be read in a video format, the other has the option to read the text yourself or have the text read to you. Many titles available in English and Spanish.



<u>TeachingBooks.net</u> – Provides resources such as author interviews, activities, and discussion questions for popular books. These resources can help readers connect with the story and enhance their understanding of a text.



<u>TumbleBook Library</u> – A collection of books available for students to read online. Some are traditional e-books; other books have video versions that can be played.

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General Reference



<u>Britannica Learning Zone</u> – (For PreK-2 students) Students will find engaging and developmentally-appropriate activities including an interactive atlas, learning games, engaging audio and video, and effective vocabulary builders. The Britannica Learning Zone teaches concepts such as geography, time, shapes, numbers, and reinforces relevant vocabulary, all in a fun and safe online environment. There is also an area where students can demonstrate their creativity and practice what they have learned.



<u>Britannica Online Elementary</u> – Offers easy-to-read articles and age-appropriate reference and learning materials, the elementary level of Britannica Online School Edition is ideal for PreK and older children. New and revised articles are added every day. The content is carefully crafted to meet students' needs at various reading levels.



<u>Kids InfoBits/Gale in Context: Elementary</u> – Lets elementary school children gain comfort with research by delivering age-appropriate, reliable, curriculum-related content covering a broad range of subjects taught in the classroom like animals, arts and music, social studies, and more.



<u>World Book</u> – A comprehensive suite of e-learning resources designed for all ages and abilities with articles, videos, educator tools, eBooks, research guides and more.

Multimedia



<u>BrainPop</u> - Animated Educational Site for Kids - Science, Social Studies, English, Math, Arts & Music, Health, and Technology.

<u>BrainPop Jr.</u> - K-3 resource offering age-appropriate animated movies, interactive quizzes, learning games, and other educational activities. Designed to cultivate critical thinking skills and encourage children to ask questions, it covers topics within Science, Social Studies, Reading & Writing, Health, Math, and Arts & Technology.

<u>BrainPop Español</u> – Spanish-language Animated Educational Site for Kids - Science, Social Studies, English, Math, Arts & Music, Health, and Technology.

<u>BrainPop ESL</u> - Web-based English language learning program comprised of short, animated movies as well as games, quizzes, and interactive features. It encompasses the four main language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

• Username & Password: varies by school – contact your teacher or librarian



<u>CyberSmarts</u> – Free e-books on topics such as CyberSmarts (staying safe online), Character Strengths, and New York State history. No login required.



<u>Learn360</u> - Streaming digital delivery service for the K–12 teachers, students, and parents. Includes access to more than 130,000 multimedia resources - including high-quality full-length videos, video clips, images, audio files, articles, activities, worksheets, and more - on any Internet-enabled device.



<u>Britannica ImageQuest</u> – Database with over 3 million royalty-free & rights-cleared images.

Science



<u>PebbleGo</u> – Curriculum-connected research tool specifically for elementary school educators and students. Content available in 5 subject areas: Animals, Science, Biographies, Social Studies, and Dinosaurs. Resources available in English and Spanish. No login required.





PowerKnowledge Earth & Space Science

<u>PowerKnowledge Life Science</u>

Online resources specifically designed for learners in grades 3 to 6. Covers science topics related to Earth and Space or Life Science. Promotes digital literacy and 21st century learning skills, while offering research, report, and homework help. Instant Article Translation into over 100 languages.



<u>TrueFlix</u> – A multimedia resource that offers resources to supplement social studies and science curriculum. E-books are enhanced with related content in a variety of text types and media–including primary sources, fiction, videos, audio clips, images, and related websites.



<u>ScienceFlix</u> – Multimedia resource providing students with a better understanding of science concepts and ideas through hands-on projects, videos, multiple text types, interactive features and more.

Social Studies



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<u>Kids Edition</u> - Collection of country reports that teaches upper elementary-aged children more about the world around them. Each report is an indispensable resource of up-to-date, engaging cultural information, complete with images, historical timeline, fun facts, and sections on history, population, and "life as a kid".

<u>States Edition</u> - Features colorful, easy-to-read state reports that help upper elementary-aged students understand the diversity and history of each U.S. state and the District of Columbia. Each report includes maps, flags, state symbols, plus sections on history, economy, geography, and population.

<u>World Edition</u> - Contains reports on more than 200 countries and cultures, focusing on twenty-five categories including history, personal appearance, gestures, family, economy, and more. Statistical tables and an extensive glossary make the World Edition perfect for student projects, and research.



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<u>Spotlight on New York eBooks</u> – Free e-books on topics such as CyberSmarts (staying safe online), Character Strengths, and New York State history. No login required.



<u>NBC Learn</u> – NBC Learn is dedicated to making historic stories, images and primary source documents available on-demand to teachers, students, and parents.

• Login information: TBD



<u>FreedomFlix</u> - Gives students a behind-the-scenes look at the people, places, and events that shaped our world. Engage even the most reluctant readers with this dynamic, interactive digital resource! Provides access to credible, accurate, age-appropriate content to help students build their content skills