

# EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

ESC - 20 • COOPERATIVE

## ACCESS PERKS For Public and Charter Schools

The Educational Resources Cooperative includes access for participating ESC-20 districts to a variety of online resources and services that support digital literacies and school libraries in all content areas.

Districts that sign up for the Educational Resources Co-op for Public and Charter schools receive:



1

access to TexQuest digital resources and eight (8) professional development sessions targeting integration



2

access to the Living Science Materials Center



3

attendance at the regional Library Resource Roundup at a reduced cost to members



4

selected professional development workshops at no or reduced cost to members



5

weekly van delivery services to all districts participating in the co-op



**Living Science Materials include over 100 living specimens and selected TEKS aligned science materials kits. Small mammals (hamsters, rats, mice, and gerbils), insects, non-venomous snakes, fish, live frogs, plants, flower and vegetable seeds, micro-organisms, preserved specimens, prepared petri dishes, and de-ionized water are some examples of available materials. Full product list at <http://esc20.net/livingscience>.**



**Digital resources available to Ed Resources Co-op Public and Charter school members through TexQuest:**



24/7 online access to resources from Gale/Cengage Learning, Britannica School, EBSCO, ProQuest, TeachingBooks.net, and Learn360 as listed below.



### GALE resources included in TexQuest

Kids InfoBits, National Geographic Kids, Research in Context, Academic OneFile, General OneFile, Science in Context, Opposing Viewpoints in Context, Gale Literary Sources (including Gale Virtual Reference Library, Literature Resource Center, LitFinder, Scribner Writers Series, and Twayne's Authors Series), GREENR, Health & Wellness Resource Center, InfoTrac Newsstand, Informe, Chilton Library, and Educator's Reference Complete.



### Britannica School resources included in TexQuest

Britannica Online School Edition: up-to-date, and age-appropriate information resources for elementary, middle, and high school and Britannica Spanish Reference Center: *Enciclopedia Moderna* for high school and *Britannica Escolar Online* for ages 6-12.

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### EBSCO eBook resources included in TexQuest

Full text eBook collections for K-8 and high school as well as an education collection. All may be downloaded or read online.



### EBSCO Learning Express/PrepSTEP resources included in TexQuest

EBSCO Learning Express/Prep Step provides students with access to online tutorials, practice tests, e-books, articles, and flashcards that help students build skills for success in school, careers, and the military - as well as test prep resources for the SAT, ACT, ASVAB, AP, and many career entry exams.



### ProQuest resources included in TexQuest

SIRS Discoverer provides students with vetted articles, books, maps, and images for learning. Issues aligned to core subjects can be researched and students can explore nonfiction books, current events, pro/con leading issues, and science fair ideas.



### TeachingBooks.net resources included in TexQuest

Literature resource connecting cross-curricular materials to children's and young adult titles including resources to support English language learners.



### Learn360 resources included in TexQuest

Streaming multimedia resources including full length videos and video clips, images, audio files, activities, and worksheets.

#### Eight targeted TexQuest professional development sessions:



- TexQuest 101
- TexQuest Learning Conference
- TexQuest and Diverse Learners
- TexQuest and CCMR
- TexQuest and Google
- TexQuest and the TEKS Resource System
- TexQuest and ELAR/Social Studies
- TexQuest and Science (integration of Living Science Materials included)

#### Optional selection for Educational Resources Co-op members:



Access to Facts On File online resources for an additional fee - a package of 11 resources (available to renewing subscribers only).

Includes American History Online (also American Woman's History plus US Government), Modern World History, Ancient and Medieval History, African American History, American Indian History, Bloom's Literary Reference, Curriculum Resource Center, Science Online (includes Biomes of the Earth, Energy and the Environment, Essential Chemistry, Genetics and Evolution, Global Warming, Green Technology, The Human Body: How it Works, Physics in Action, and The Plant World), Health Reference Center, World Geography and Culture, and Ferguson's Career Guidance Center.



Sign up through the ESC-20 Commitment System  
[www.esc20.net/erc](http://www.esc20.net/erc)  
 — Only \$2.80 per student! —

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