The NewsBank Solution for Texas School Libraries

High Impact – and Affordable
For more than 40 years, NewsBank, inc., has helped build high-impact school libraries that make a significant difference in their schools. Our expansive collections and curriculum integration tools are explicitly designed to help Texas educators improve the quality of research, thinking and learning.

Recognizing today’s tough economic realities, we are offering our Texas School Library Solution to schools/districts at surprisingly affordable prices!

Uniquely Suited To Support Your Curriculum
More than ever, students and teachers depend on the library to support their curriculum. Beyond the traditional book report or research paper, the library provides resources for all subjects – often on highly specialized topics. Teachers depend on the library to provide sources with different perspectives and opposing viewpoints that traditional resources, like textbooks, can’t provide. The ability to analyze, organize, synthesize and use primary/secondary documents is a necessary skill for today’s student.

The NewsBank’s Solution for Texas School Libraries provides:

• Expansive, subject-focused collection for the curriculum areas you need
  • Social Studies – U.S. and World History, Current Events, Economics, Civics & Government, Geography
  • Science & Health – Biology, Earth Science, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Astronomy, Physics, Technology
  • English & Arts – Reviews, Criticism, Arts, TV & Film, Music
  • The greatest diversity of source types and perspectives available (from over 200 countries and all 50 states) – including newspapers, Web-only sources, blogs, videos, periodicals, historical documents, speeches, wire services, TV & radio transcripts, news agencies, academic and research journals (made readable for students), encyclopedia, and biographies.
  • Multiple perspectives and opposing viewpoints to challenge critical thinking – pro/con, local, regional, national, international, multicultural
  • Maps – Complete set of searchable state and country maps
  • Special Reports – coverage of monthly themes and important issues
  • Daily headlines and lesson plans – written each weekday
  • Current curriculum content updated daily

Product Descriptions:

NewsBank supports school curricula through a variety of educational resources comprised of full text information from newspapers, Web-only sources, blogs, wire services, magazines and journals, broadcast transcripts, historical documents, government publications, abstracts, and much more.

A. Main Option:

• Access World News – Student Edition
  Targeted Grade level: Grades 6 to 12
  Access World News is a comprehensive, Web-based resource that provides access to hundreds of news publications from countries worldwide. These sources include the full text of major national and international newspapers, news wires, transcripts, magazines, and videos. Access World News is updated daily to keep students informed of current issues and
events. Deep archives provide background information on important topics, enabling students to track contemporary world issues and study international cultures. The content is relevant for world history, English and science classes, debate teams, speech, and persuasive assignments. Several search modes are available, including keyword or map-based for easy country studies and comparing/contrasting issues and perspectives from different areas. Students also may search by continent, country, state or an individual title. The interface may be viewed in English or Spanish.

• **America’s Historical Newspapers 1600 to 1922 – Student Edition**
  **Targeted Grade level: Grades 6 to 12**
  America’s Historical Newspapers 1600 to 1922 – Student Edition provides news articles covering topics including government, politics, social issues, culture, discoveries, inventions and more from hundreds of primary sources that enable students and teachers to explore virtually every topic or aspect of American history and culture between 1690 and 1922. The resource also provides a wealth of information for English/Literature and science classes. America’s Historical Newspapers is aligned to state standards with the ability to locate articles directly related to specific standards. The resource features cover-to-cover facsimiles from hundreds of U.S. newspapers, including titles from all 50 present states. Students searching by using either the timeline or topic search can easily find news and eyewitness accounts and pro/con articles of events, issues and daily life in the colonies or during the Revolutionary War, westward expansion, the Civil War, Reconstruction, industrialization, the Progressive Era, World War I and other time periods. Newspapers of particular historical importance, regional weeklies and big-city dailies are available. Also included are illustrations, advertisements, classifieds, birth and marriage announcements, obituaries, stories about historic people, and other articles exactly as they appeared in print.

• **Dallas Morning News Historical Archive**
  **Targeted Grade level: Grades 6 to 12**
  Offering nearly 100 years of archives from one of the nation’s leading metropolitan dailies, the Dallas Morning News Historical Archive provides students and teachers with unique perspectives, authoritative reporting and comprehensive coverage of the people, news and events that made history—both around the corner and across the globe. The primary source information found in the Dallas Morning News Historical Archive fosters independent research skills and helps students think critically as well as track trends, issues and events. Also included is a series of lesson plans for easy implementation of this content.

• **ScienceSource Collection**
  **Targeted Grade level: Grades 6 to 12**
  ScienceSource Collection was designed to support today’s science curriculums. It offers easy access to thousands of article digests on life, earth, physical, medical, health and applied sciences that help clarify complex scientific concepts and provide important facts, ideas, results and conclusions from the original articles. Also included are encyclopedia entries that provide background information on diseases, the environment, mammals and physics, as well as biographies of important scientists.

• **Popular Periodicals Premier**
  **Targeted Grade level: Grades 6 to 12**
  Popular Periodicals Premier is a collection of some of the most popular and widely read magazines published, covering topics relevant to all areas of the curriculum including world news, people, health, culture, education, business, science, sports and more.

• **NewsBank KidsPage**
  **Targeted Grade level: Kindergarten to Grade 6**
  Elementary school teachers require resources that are fun and capture kids’ attention. These resources must also provide safe, appropriate information that’s easy to use. KidsPage does all this and more, with Web-based access to articles from
relevant, age-specific publications, many of which include photographs and images. Featuring a colorful interface to engage early learners with research and technology, KidsPage offers useful learning materials for all subject areas.

• **Acceda Noticias**
  Targeted Grade level:  **Grades 6 to 12**
  Acceda Noticias features a wealth of primary source information from Spanish-language news sources and wire services that allows students to find articles on current issues and events relative to government, politics, entertainment, sports, people, the environment, and many other topics. It can be used for Spanish-speaking students or those learning the language.