

Dear Loughlinites, Parents, and Guardians,

As your Library Media Specialist, I have been working closely with the teachers to provide numerous enrichment resources. Loughlin's Library Media Center transcends our physical space on the second floor of Loughlin and can be accessed *virtually 24/7!* Among our many resources, we offer: *E-Books, databases, and writing assistance on our Library Resource page.*

First, to find Loughlin's Library Resource Webpage, which includes Loughlin's Databases, links to New York City's Public Libraries, Regents & SAT Preparation, and Writing Tutorials just click on this link:

<https://www.loughlin.org/student-life/library/resources>

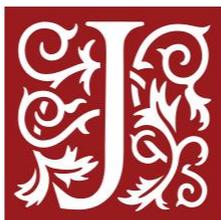
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To log into Loughlin's Databases: If you have ***not yet received the login information from your teacher,*** then e-mail me with "Loughlin Library Resources" as the subject to your e-mail. I will then provide you with whatever database's username and password that you request.

Additionally, the research database, **JSTOR** (journals, primary sources and books) which is an excellent resource for ***Advanced Placement & Honors Classes*** has Open Access that can be found at: <https://about.jstor.org/oa-and-free/>



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Next, to access Loughlin's E-Book Collection (actual books you can read on your computer), first you must e-mail me that you would like access. Please put "Loughlin Library E-Books" as the subject of your e-mail.

Once I create your account, you can access E-Books here:

<https://search.follettsoftware.com/metasearch/ui/38006>

As for New York City's Public Libraries:

I. Brooklyn Residents-

If you **do not have a BPL card**, click on the link below to create an eCard. Such a card will grant you access to the Brooklyn Public Library's databases and eBooks as well. If you already have a BPL card, then you already have access to these wonderful resources.

Anyone of any age can get an eCard here:

<https://disc.bklynlibrary.org/ecard/>

Also, check out the BPL's revamped Online Resources page with very useful Topic pages, including Homeschool Resources.

<https://www.bklynlibrary.org/online-resources>

<https://www.bklynlibrary.org/online-resources/topic/homeschool-resources>

II. Queens Residents-

If you **do not have a QPL card**, click on the link below to create an eCard.

Such a card will grant you access to the Queens Public Library's databases and eBooks as well. If you already have a QPL card, then you already have access to these wonderful resources.

Anyone of any age can get an eCard here:

<https://www.queenslibrary.org/get-a-card/eUser>

III. ALL NYC Residents-

The New York Public Library (NYPL) offers numerous E-Resources that include E-Books, Databases, but most importantly its offers **Tutoring Services through a partnership with Brainfuse**.

Through Brainfuse, kids and teens in grades K–12 can now access free, remote, one-on-one tutoring in a wide range of subjects and levels—from first-grade math to advanced algebra. Tutoring is offered seven days a week from 2 PM to 11 PM via chat. Services are available in both English and Spanish. Brainfuse also offers a bank of videos, activities, a writing lab, and other resources that are available to students 24/7.

Families can access these tools with an NYPL library card. If you or a family member don't have a library card, sign up for one using our SimplyE app.

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[Download SimplyE for Android on Google Play](#)

Finally, **Loughlin's Library Media Center** is excited that **National Library Week starts on April 20th!** On that day, details for this year's *BLoglin Writing Contest* will be announced! This annual contest is a great Loughlin tradition that can earn the winners both a cash prize and publication as well as extra credit for all participants. Stay tuned for further details!!!

My office hours are: Monday through Friday from 10 AM - 2 PM.
Feel free to e-mail me with all inquiries at: tfrank@blmhs.org
Please include "Loughlin Library" as the subject of your e-mail and I will respond in a timely fashion.

Keep on learning!

~Mr. Frank

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