

7 Things You Should Know About EBSCO

EBSCO is free for all North Carolina students to use. Access is through NCWiseOwl.

1. You can trust the information you find on EBSCO

Google searches, but it doesn't tell you which sites to trust.

2. You can create an account and save articles to your folder "in the cloud".

Once logged into EBSCO site, create an account, which can then be accessed from any computer with an Internet connection. As articles are searched, favorite ones can be saved to the folder for the future.

3. Always choose "FULL TEXT" when searching for an article.

Not every article is available beyond the abstract. You **MUST** refine your search to include only full text articles. They are available as either **HTML text** (*view in your browser*) or **PDF**. Either format can be saved to your folder.

4. If the full text of an article is not available on our school's connection to EBSCO, try the public library's EBSCO (requires public library card number).

The school's package of databases is not the same as the public libraries or colleges. Although the specific database might claim to offer full text articles as far back as 1975, you might find that many are unavailable. As long as you have a library card, they can utilize the databases through the county webpage.

5. When you choose HTML text and view your article in the browser many of the articles will allow you to listen as someone reads it to you.

Choose from 3 accents and speeds if you like. This is a great feature for ESL or SPED students who could use assistance. The option is also available for downloading the MP3 file to the iPod or computer.

6. Points of View offers pros and cons on hundreds of topics.

From alternative energy to Zionism, this database will assist you when presenting both sides of your topic. Resources include newspapers, periodicals, books, radio/TV transcripts, primary source documents and images.

7. EBSCO has a mobile app.

The app is available for iPhone, iPad and Android devices.