Check Out Our Online Databases

Statewide and East Baton Rouge Parish Library databases available through the Library’s website offer great resources for students!

Just visit www.ebr.lib.la.us and click on the “Online Databases” link. From outside the Library, you just need your Library Card number to log in. Check it out!

Homework Help:
• Tutor.com: Live homework help Sunday through Thursday from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
• Learning Express

General Resources for Students:
• Student Research Center
• Searchasaurus
• Kids Search
• Credo Reference
• World Book Online Encyclopedia

Literature:
• Gale Literature for Students
• Literary Reference Center
• Gale Group Databases

Special Resources:
• Mango Languages
• Access Science
• Career Cruising
• Careers Internet

Don't forget our recommended sites for students, featured on the Children's and Teen webpages and in the Research Guides section of our website.

College Funding Workshop

Attention, parents of college-bound students! The Jones Creek Regional Branch will host a free workshop providing insightful and straight-forward facts about handling the high costs of college.

The workshop will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 26.

For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1150.

What Does the Library Have to Offer Home-Schooling Parents?

Staff from the Children's and Teens Divisions of the Library will show parents resources they have to offer those who home-school their children. We offer a variety of collections, databases, websites, and more!

Get answers to questions such as: “Can we meet in the Library?” “Are there home-school groups locally I can join?” “Does the Library have text books or lesson plans?”

Come and get all of the details at the Main Library, 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 14; the River Center Branch, 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 21; and the Bluebonnet Branch, 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 17.

For more information, call (225) 231-3760 or (225) 231-3770.

Teen Resources: Partnering for Success

Do you teach teens and tweens in East Baton Rouge Parish? Do you want to know more about the Library's digital tools and collection resources to complement your school's collection? Come and see what's new!

Barbara Roos, division head of Teen Services for the Library, will present this one-hour workshop at the Carver Branch on Wednesday, August 4, at 10:00 a.m.

If we don’t have what you’re looking for, tell us what you need! We are here to partner with you in order to provide quality resources for our teen community’s educational and leisure reading needs.

For more information, call (225) 231-3770.
**Belly Dancing**

Are you interested in the art of belly dancing? Come see Anastazia La Luminaire and her assistant demonstrate this form of dancing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 23, at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch.

You might just learn a few basic moves!
For more information, call (225) 274-4440.

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**The Artistic Vagabond Tour Reception and Exhibit**

The Artistic Vagabond Tour is an exhibition that will move throughout Baton Rouge using library branches as a showplace.

This exhibition features the paintings and drawings of Antoine Mitchell, accompanied by special cultural performances and discussions on various dates.

A reception for the exhibit will be held on Sunday, August 8, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Eden Park Branch.

For more information, call (225) 231-3240.

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**River Center Branch Public Forum**

A public forum focusing on potential services and functionality for a renovated, expanded, or replaced River Center Branch will be held for the public on Monday, August 16. Check the Library’s website, www.ebr.lib.la.us for the location and time.

Selections of the presentation will be available on the Library’s website from August 10-17, as will an online survey.

For more information, call (225) 231-3710.

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**Publishing Your Writing**

Are you an aspiring writer? Angus Woodward, a local published author, will conduct an hour-long presentation about getting one’s work published at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, August 23, at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch.

Woodward’s short story collection, *Down at the End of the River*, was published by Margaret Media in March 2008. His fiction can be found in various journals and anthologies, including recent issues of *The Mochila Review*, *Alimentum*, and the Forest Press Anthology, *Stolen Stories*.

For more information, call (225) 274-4440.

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**Retirement Planning 2010**

Financial planner Jeff Cobb will present a free workshop on planning for retirement at the Jones Creek Regional Branch.

Topics covered will include investor fraud, retirement needs and expenses, retirement income sources and investments and estate planning.

The workshop will be offered on Tuesdays, August 10, 17, 24, and 31, at 6:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1150.

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**Quilt Guild Exhibit and Reception**

The Sassi Strippers Quilt Guild will display a selection of quilts at the Jones Creek Regional Branch during the month of August.

A reception for the exhibit will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 7.

For more information, call (225) 756-1140.

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**Be Our Facebook Friend!**

The East Baton Rouge Parish Library is on Facebook.com! Look us up and “like” our page – we’ll keep you updated on all the latest happenings in the Library System!
Charity Hospitals of Louisiana

Dr. Jonathan Roberts will speak about the book, A History of the Charity Hospitals of Louisiana, at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Sunday, August 22, at 3:00 p.m.

This book is the first definitive published history of Louisiana’s 260-year-old charity hospital system and the 10 hospitals established in different venues within the state.

Roberts will also discuss the catastrophic impact Hurricane Katrina has had on the health care system and Louisiana citizens.

All royalties from the sale of A History of the Charity Hospitals of Louisiana will be donated to the indigent of the Charity Hospital System.

For more information, call (225) 763-2250.

Check Out Mango Languages and Spice Up Your Life!

August 11 is Mango Day, honoring the foreign language-learning database, Mango Languages! To celebrate, any patron who greets staff with “Hello” in Tagalog (found in Lesson One of the Mango course on Tagalog) will get a special treat!

Through Mango lessons, users learn their desired new language with conversational and practical teachings, all via online lessons. Words and phrases are taught through sight and sound, with repetition and explanation applied to assist the user’s journey of learning.

The database currently offers more than 20 languages through basic or complete courses, or both, and 15 English as a Second Language (ESL) courses.

Visit www.ebr.lib.la.us and click on “Online Databases” to access Mango Languages today! Patrons must use their Library card to log in.

For more information, contact Library Information Services at (225) 231-3750.

Investment Frauds: How to Recognize and Avoid Them

Jeff Cobb, a certified financial planner, will talk to patrons about how reasonably intelligent people can get caught up in Ponzi schemes, and more importantly, the steps you can take to prevent it from happening to you.

Learn the tough questions you should ask before entering into any investment at the Jones Creek Regional Branch on Tuesday, August 3, at 6:30 p.m.

The workshop is free and open to the public, but registration is required.

For more information or to register, call (225) 231-3750.

Ask A Lawyer

Take advantage of free and individual legal counseling sessions offered by the Pro Bono Project of the Baton Rouge Bar Association.

Area attorneys will be available for confidential, one-on-one, 15-minute sessions for legal advice on a first come, first served basis at the Delmont Gardens Branch from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 7.

For more information, call (225) 354-7050.
The following computer classes will be held at the Library throughout the month of August, in addition to the daily classes held at the Main Library. Registration is required for some classes. For more information or to register, call the individual library branch.

**Baker Branch**

**Introduction to Computers**
Thursday, August 5, 10:00 a.m.
Learn about the parts of a computer, using a mouse, creating files, and using a floppy disk and flash drive.

**Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007**
Saturday, August 14, 10:00 a.m.
Learn the basics of Microsoft Word 2007.

**Intermediate Published 2007**
Thursday, August 19, 10:00 a.m.
Learn to create a brochure using Microsoft Publisher 2007.

**Intermediate Word 2007**
Thursday, August 26, 10:00 a.m.
Learn to divide text into columns, create and modify a table, sort items in a table, and insert headers and footers into a document.

**Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch**

**Intermediate Microsoft Word 2007**
Saturday, August 21, 10:00 a.m.
Learn how to separate text into columns, create and modify a table, sort items in a table, and insert headers and footers.

**Introduction to Microsoft Publisher 2007**
Thursday, August 26, 10:00 a.m.
Learn how to use Microsoft Publisher to make a flyer, pamphlet, newsletter, and many other documents.

**Carver Branch**

**Introduction to the Internet**
Tuesday, August 3, 9:30 a.m.
Learn the basics of the Internet.

**Computers without Fear**
Tuesday, August 17, 9:30 a.m.
Learn the basic parts of a computer, as well as terminology.

**Setting up an E-mail Account**
Tuesday, August 31, 9:30 a.m.
Learn how to set up an e-mail account, send and check e-mails, and how to add and open attachments.

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch**

**Introduction to Microsoft Word 2007**
Saturday, August 7, 10:00 a.m.
Learn to use Microsoft Word to edit documents.

**Introduction to G-Mail**
Tuesday, August 31, 10:00 a.m.
Learn how to register for a free G-Mail account.

**Pride-Chaneyville Branch**

**Introduction to Computers**
Thursday, August 12, 10:00 a.m.
Learn the basics of how to use a computer.

**Navigating the Internet**
Thursday, August 26, 10:00 a.m.
Learn the basics of navigating the Internet for fun and research.

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**Library Begins McNaughton Book Service**

In an effort to reduce the waiting lists for “hot” books and get them into your hands faster, the Library has begun complementing the existing book collection with additional copies from the McNaughton Subscription Service.

You may notice that your reserve copies are now designated with a green tag; these books will help fill the Hold list, and can either be absorbed into the collection or returned to McNaughton.

All reservation lists will work the same way as before – there is no need to place additional holds.

For more information, call (225) 231-3740.
Jazzy Journals

Hey teens, start the school year right! Come to the Baker Branch and decorate a journal for the new school year. We'll supply the journals and other fun stuff for you to use as decoration on Thursday, August 12, at 4:30 p.m.

These decorated journals will make great diaries or even notebooks for class.

For more information or to register, call (225) 778-5960.

Manga Club Drawing Session

Teens and tweens will practice drawing manga characters using manga drawing hooks from the library’s collection.

Each person will get a turn at the chalkboard to teach the others how to draw a specific character at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 24, at the Baker Branch.

For more information, call (225) 778-5960.

Design a Day Planner

Create a day planner from a notebook, masking tape, and markers to make a bound book for the new school year.

Have fun and get organized at the Bluebonnet Regional Branch on Saturday, August 14, at 2:30 p.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 763-2270.

Cartooning Basics #1

Do you want to learn the basics of cartooning? Come to the Carver Branch on Thursday, August 12, at 2:00 p.m. for a Cartooning Basics class!

Cartooning Class #1 will cover drawing basic figures, the rules of proportions, drawing from observation, and character development.

We will also look at drawing faces, hands, feet and expressive figures.

For more information, call (225) 389-7450.

Dance Dance Revolution Dance-Off

Teens will play Dance Dance Revolution and compete in a dance-off to see who the ultimate dancer is at the Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch on Saturday, August 7, at 2:30 p.m.

For more information, call (225) 274-4470.

Board Game Night

Teens and tweens are welcome to hang out and relax at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch, playing board and card games to wind down the summer. Snacks will be provided at this get-together on Wednesday, August 4, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

For more information, call (225) 658-1550.
Summer Reading

It’s not too late to turn in your summer reading log!
Children may turn in their completed logs by August 15 for a certificate and prize bag, or by August 31 for a certificate. Teens may turn in completed reading logs until August 15.
For more information, call (225) 231-3760.

Decorate Your Notebook

Get ready to head back to school with a fabulously decorated spiral-bound notebook! You’ll use different-colored pipe cleaners to create a unique notebook that your friends will all love at the Zachary Branch!

Bring your own notebook; all other supplies will be provided at this craft time on Monday, August 9, at 4:00 p.m.
For more information, call (225) 658-1860.

Aviation Day

Aviation Day is celebrated in August. The hot air balloon is one of the first means of air travel, and children ages 9-11 will read Curious George and the Hot Air Balloon at the Eden Park Branch on Saturday, August 14, at 3:00 p.m.
The real fun will be making your own balloon out of felt and decorating it with beautiful cut-outs!
For more information, call (225) 231-3260.

Stuffed Animal Show

Children ages 4-8 are invited to bring their favorite stuffed animal to the Baker Branch! Each child will get to introduce his or her stuffed animal and talk a little about them on Saturday, August 7, at 2:00 p.m.
We will read stories about stuffed animal companions, including Knuffle Bunny by Mo Willems and Monkey and Me by Emily Gravett. Each stuffed animal will receive an award!
For more information or to register, call (225) 778-5960.

Fun Mini Album

Hey kids, looking for a fun way to display your photos? Bring them to the Baker Branch!
Children ages 6-11 will listen to the story, Pig Pig and the Magic Photo Album by David McPhail, and then make a mini album on Saturday, August 28, at 2:30 p.m. Please bring photos that can be cut to size and glued down.
For more information or to register, call (225) 778-5960.

After-School Movies

Children ages 4-9 are invited to a showing of three folktales from different parts of the world at the Baker Branch! Kids, take a little break before you start your homework!
We’ll start the show at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 25.
For more information, call (225) 778-5960.

Audiobook Appreciation Month

August is Audiobook Appreciation Month! Children ages 6-9 will listen to Stink and the Incredible Super-Galactic Jawbreaker by Megan McDonald at the Carver Branch on Wednesday, August 4, at 3:30 p.m.
For more information, call (225) 389-7460.

Dog Tales at the Library

LSU Tiger HATS visit the Carver Branch once a month on Sundays with their specially-trained dogs. These dogs serve as excellent reading companions to young children ages 5-8.
This month the LSU Tiger HATS will visit the library on Sunday, August 8, at 3:00 p.m. Come read to your favorite dog!
For more information, call (225) 389-7460.

Sewing for Kids

Kids ages 6-11 are invited to learn to sew a four-patch quilt by hand at 4:30 p.m. on Mondays, August 9-30, at the Scotlandville Branch.
At the end of the four-class program, students will have a basic understanding of hand sewing and the knowledge of fabrics.
For more information, call (225) 354-7560.
Carver Children’s Book Club

Children ages 6-9 are invited to the Carver Children’s Book Club meeting on Wednesday, August 25, at 4:00 p.m.

This month’s book club selection is *Sarah, Plain and Tall* by Patricia MacLachlan. Don’t worry if you haven’t read the book – we’ll take turns reading aloud!

For more information, call (225) 389-7460.

Rhythm and Reading

Children ages 4-6 will sing along and play rhythm instruments to the sound of lively children’s songs on a guitar at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 21, at the Pride-Chaneyville Branch.

*A Thomas the Tank Engine* story will be read to start off the fun.

For more information or to register, call (225) 658-1560.

**Harry the Dirty Dog Make and Take**

Staff at the Jones Creek Regional Branch will read *Harry the Dirty Dog* by Gene Zion, and children will create a cute *Harry the Dirty Dog* puppet on Tuesday, August 10, at 10:00 a.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 756-1160.

Family Storytime

Listen to a fun New Orleans tale about Madame Poulet and lazy Monsieur Roach, and play a creepy, crawly game at the Scotlandville Branch on Wednesday, August 18, at 4:00 p.m.

For more information, call (225) 354-7560.

**Storytime at the Library**

Storytime gives children an excellent introduction to books and the library, increases their attention spans, and develops their social skills by involving them in stories, poetry, and songs. You are always welcome to attend Storytime with your child. We offer several different Storytime formats. Since children develop at different rates, you may talk with one of our library staff members to place your child in a younger or older group.

For more information, call your local library. Organized groups must reserve a date and time other than those listed below.

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**Ready for Kindergarten!**

Come to the River Center Branch for a special program about starting kindergarten on Sunday, August 15, at 2:30 p.m.

The book *Jessica* by Kevin Henkes and other stories about starting kindergarten will be read aloud, and children will make a “Starting School Bear” or “School Bus” bookmark to take home.

For more information or to register, call (225) 389-4959.

**Kindergarten Sing-a-long**

So you have a kindergartener! Join us at the Main Library for our annual program planned to help your child ease into the first days of school. This interactive program will introduce playing, reading, learning, and listening as part of the day in the life of a kindergartener.

Children ages 4-5 will clap, count, listen, compare, and sing along in a variety of ways to help them warm up to their new school experience on Wednesday, August 4, at 11:00 a.m.

For more information or to register, call (225) 231-3760.

**Back-To-School Apple Magnet**

Children ages 7 and up will read *Curious George’s First Day of School*, then make an apple magnet at the Carver Branch on Tuesday, August 10, at 4:00 p.m.

For more information, call (225) 389-7460.
**On View at the Library**

**Baker Branch**

*Inner Passions/Inner Reflections*

Representational and abstract depictions of spiritual and commonly-shared life themes from Desmond A. Cooper.

**Bluebonnet Regional Branch**

*Woodcarving*

The Pelican Woodcarvers Guild will exhibit a sampling of their art in the areas of woodcarving and whittling.

**Abstract Expressions**

Acrylic paintings by Susan Jackson will be on display.

**Delmont Gardens Branch**

*Envision of the Mind*

Art by Irma Alexander will be on display.

**Eden Park Branch**

*The Artistic Vagabond Tour*

Paintings and drawings by Antoine Mitchell.

**Jones Creek Regional Branch**

*Baton Rouge Scale Modelers*

Plastic replicas of military vehicles, airplanes, cars and more, courtesy of the Baton Rouge Scale Modelers.

*Quilt Display*

View a selection of quilts made by members of the Sassi Strippers Quilt Guild.

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**LIBRARY BOOK SALE**

Recycled Reads

13505 Hooper Road

Saturday, August 28, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.