

## To access the databases [www.mylakelibrary.org](http://www.mylakelibrary.org)

- Click on Virtual Library then select *Reference Databases* from the dropdown menu
- You can access the databases from home with your library card

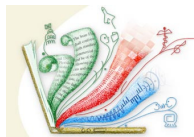
### The Lake County Library System

*pays subscription fees to use carefully researched commercial databases so students can freely access them.*

### 9th - 12th Grade & up

#### Oposing Viewpoints in Context

- The premier online resource covering today's hottest social issues, from off-shore drilling to climate change, health care to immigration.



### The Florida Electronic Library

### Kindergarten - 5th Grade

#### Kids InfoBits

- Full text articles on most topics; pictures & maps

#### Florida Kids

- Florida History, Facts & Symbols

### 6th - 8th Grade

#### Infotrac Junior Edition

- Full text articles on most topics, pictures & maps

#### Junior Reference Center

- Reference and primary sources; over 17,000 biographies
- Browse by topic

#### LitFinder

- Poems, stories, plays, essays & explanations
- Download MP3s of articles

#### Camio

- Photos of museum works of art, photos, paintings, sculpture, prints, costumes & jewelry

### 9th - 12th Grade

#### Infotrac Student Edition

- Reference and primary sources, pictures
- Download MP3s of articles

#### World Almanac

- "Funk & Wagnalls New Encyclopedia and four almanacs."

**Junior Reference Center** - see above

**LitFinder** - see above

#### Civil War: Sources in U.S. History

- Writings from the Civil War by those who lived it

#### Gale Encyclopedia of Multicultural America (GVRL)

- 152 original essays on specific minority and ethnic groups in the U.S.

#### St. James Encyclopedia of Popular Culture (GVRL)

- 2,700 signed essays ranging from 500 to 2,500 words; subject-specific bibliographies

**Camio** - see above

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# HOMESCHOOL HELP

FOR STUDENTS AND  
PARENTS



*The Lake County Library System  
is your gateway  
to the world of information.*



## HOMEWORK TIPS

### for Students

**The library staff can help you find answers to your questions and resources for your projects. We have books on a wide variety of topics, internet access, newspapers, magazines, CD-ROMs, and videos to help you learn about your subject.**

**Here are some things that you can do to get the most out of your library visit.**

- **Bring your library card.** Library cards are free to all residents of Lake County and to students enrolled in a Lake County school.
- **Bring your written assignment with you.** Make sure that you understand your assignment before you leave school.
- **Bring your stuff.** Have plenty of paper, pencils, pens and other stuff that you may need. There is a copy machine at the library that you can use for a small fee if you



need it. Libraries also have computers with word processing software that you can use.

- **Ask for help if you need it.** The library staff is here to help you find information and materials.
- **Look at all of the resources** in the library for new adventures.
- **Give credit to your reference.** Always include information about your references in your report. Copy the title of the reference, the author, publisher, date and the page numbers where you found your information.
- **Start early.** Start on your project as soon as you can. By giving yourself plenty of time to do your work, you'll be able to enjoy learning about new things without worrying about finishing on time!

## HOMEWORK TIPS

### for Parents

- **Understand the library.** Know what resources the library has to offer. Learn about them by reading our informational brochure, by asking the library staff and by using the library! All services are free to Lake County residents and students, and through reciprocal borrowing.
- **Understand what your child is supposed to do.** By knowing what the assignment is, you can guide your child into making sure that research on that



subject is accomplished.

- **Make sure that they bring the tools and materials that they'll need.** Its very frustrating to sit down to write notes and realize that you've forgotten a pencil!
- **Look at everything!** Encourage your child to review materials from many sources. Look at books, magazines, newspapers, use the internet and CD-ROMs, etc.
- **Use reference materials in the library.** You can't take reference materials home. The library has a copy machine for your convenience. Be sure that your child has plenty of change!
- **Call us for simple questions.** Our library staff will be happy to answer simple questions over the telephone.
- **Learn is by doing!** Learning to use the library independently is an important part of the educational experience. Encourage your child to do his or her own research--they'll learn a lot about the library and they'll also learn more about the subject that they are researching!