

## PUHSD Provides Quality, In-Depth Online Resources for Students and Their Families

*If you're asking: "With all the wealth of information available for free on the Internet, why does PUHSD purchase Online Library Resources for students?" Here's why. . .*

Internet	or	Purchased Online Resources
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No monitoring for authority or accuracy; Anyone can put anything on the Internet</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All library-quality, editor-approved information</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Information overload; much of it is irrelevant; Students waste time sifting through it</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Content selected to meet curricular needs of students</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Requires filters and careful supervision</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Only kid-safe curriculum information</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No source citations provided; Students must create MLA and APA formatted citations</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Fully formatted citations provided with information articles</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Advertising can distract students and slow down the searching process</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No content included in the interface that distracts students</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Broken or dead links; Many sites not updated on a regular basis</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Most content updated every 24 hours</li> </ul>

Even more important, students should be focusing on analyzing, understanding, and learning the information – not on searching. In other words—students need quality information first, before they can start learning. And quality information is provided by the Online Library Resources selected by PUHSD Teacher Librarians and purchased by our District.

***Students won't waste time searching when using these Quality Online Library Resources, provided by PUHSD and Arizona, all selected to support classroom learning.***

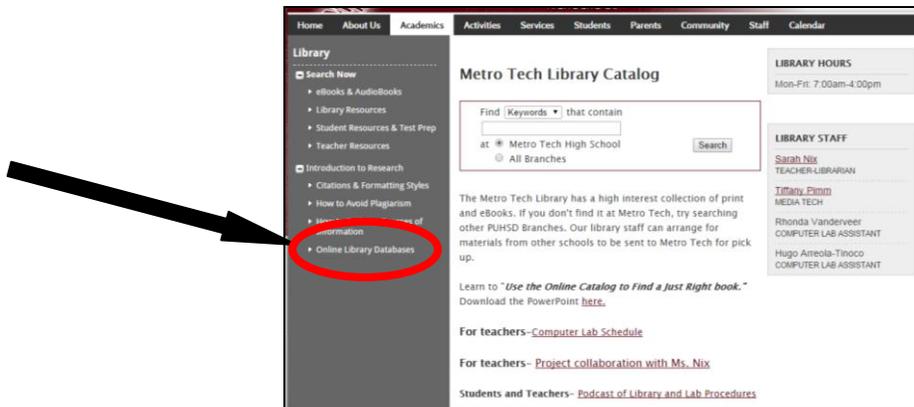
<b>Arizona Career Information System</b>	Career assessments, career exploration, occupational information, schools and training, job-seeking skills, and more
<b>EBSCO</b>	Online articles and images from popular magazines, scholarly journals, current newspapers, and other reference works
<b>Encyclopedia Britannica</b>	Online encyclopedia plus animations, news articles, and more
<b>Follett e-Books</b>	Over 300 full-text reference books and classic and contemporary fiction
<b>Gale Online Research Library Catalog</b>	In-depth, authoritative, full-text reference books online At-home access to School Library Book Collections available
<b>Proquest: Science &amp; Math SIRS Knowledge</b>	Articles and multimedia coverage of science, math and social issues; also includes maps, photographs, authoritative websites, and more
<b>Teen Health and Wellness</b>	Online articles on topics such as diseases, addictive substances, nutrition, mental health, suicide, bullying, green living, financial literacy, and more
<b>Visual Thesaurus</b>	Interactive dictionary and thesaurus to help students understand complex information and enhance their literacy skills
<b>World Book</b>	Articles, biographies, images, videos, maps, recommended websites

From the Metro Tech homepage.

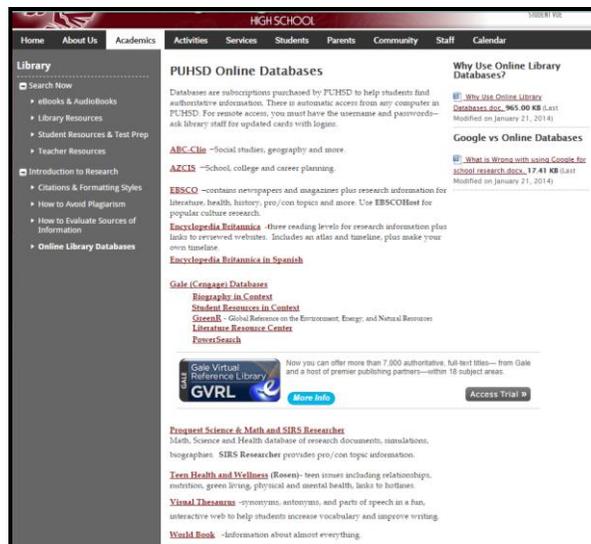
1. Open browser, go to Metro Tech homepage <http://www.phoenixunion.org/metrotech> and click on the orange **Library Resources** tab in bottom left corner.



2. From the Library homepage, click the **Online Library Databases**

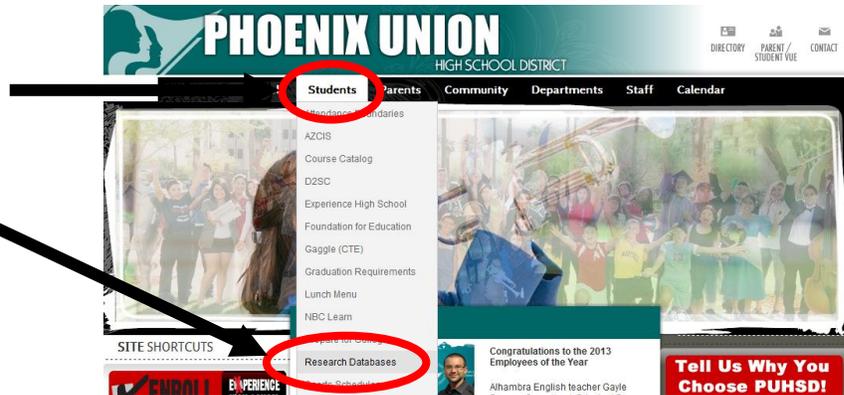


3. Select the best database for your needs. Ask Ms.Nix to instruct your classes. Access at school is automatic, remote access requires logins with UN/PW. See library staff for updated id badge cards.



From the District homepage.

1. Open Browser, go to <http://phoenixunion.org> and click on the **Students** tab.
2. Select **Research Databases** from the Students tab.



3. You can now access a variety of reliable information resources from this webpage.

You will need login information to access the **Online Databases** and the **Follett e-Books**.

**Visit the Metro Tech Library to get a list of the usernames and passwords needed to access these resources.**

