

Wolverine Library Countdown



Spring is Research Season!

It's that time again! Spring brings with it love, allergies, and ... research. As we gear up for Spring projects, there are a few new resources you may want to be aware of. We have been given a trial of the Gale Virtual Reference Library that will run through April 5, 2010. It has been integrated with our normal Gale search page, but you and your students will begin to see more e-book references in the results list. The Gale Virtual Reference Library contains thousands of full text e-books and reference works. Just as our other Gale products, it is

accessible from school or home, and articles may be printed, downloaded, or e-mailed. It includes ReadSpeaker technology (text-to-speech) which allows text to be read aloud to users and downloaded in an MP3 format. There is also a translation function. The FISD librarians are evaluating the Gale Virtual Reference Library as a possible addition to our online collection. We would like to have your input, since this would represent a significant expense. If you use the resource, please give me feedback, positive or negative—all feedback is

appreciated.

Other research help on the WHS library website includes links to selected websites for projects, a help page for MLA format, and links to web guides and the Sweet Search—a search engine that indexes only vetted and pre-evaluated sites for student use. Please let me know if the library can be of any assistance to you or your students with research projects.

Upcoming Events:

- February is Black History Month
- March is Women's History Month
- March 8-12 Teen Tech Week
- April 19-23 WHS celebrates National Library Week
- May 3-7 Choose Privacy Week

WHS Library services include:

- Book presentations
- Pathfinders and research assistance
- Resource gathering
- Displays
- Information Literacy instruction



Special Events for Spring 2010

The Spring months are full of special theme weeks and months. Here are just a few that will be accompanied by special activities in the library.

- March 8-12 is Teen Tech Week. This year we will be hosting a workshop on

Google Documents. Faculty as well as students are invited to attend.

- April 19-23 we will celebrate National Library Week with a board game party and reading promotion.

- May 3-7 is Choose Privacy Week. The library will host a workshop about your online profile and how to keep yourself safe and your private information private.

