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Using Our Technology Investment

Over the past 5 years our school district has made a substantial investment in computers and network infrastructure. Almost every classroom and office has a computer connected to everyone in our district (Intranet) the rest of the world (Internet.) Funds came from a variety of sources including the general fund, a capital improvements levy, state aid and grants from a variety of sources. As funds become tighter, it is important that we take full advantage of what we already have that can improve the instruction of our students.

Recent Union Technologist's have talked about e-mail and its ability to improve communication and person-to-person sharing.

The instructional network that is now in place state wide, also allows educational budgets to be more effectively spent by purchasing products state wide and sharing them electronically. Instead of each district making a their own deal with electronic resource providers, one deal can be made state wide for a product at a huge savings over many individual purchases. Since the network is already in place, those electronic products can be shared quickly and easily.

A number of new resources have been added for this school year. You and your students can get to them from our resources web page www.chuh.org/students/ using the passwords provided by your Library -Media Specialist.



This online version of the McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of Science and Technology gives you relevant, reliable, current, practical and authoritative science and technology information to support learning and research.



Annals of American History is the online version of Encyclopaedia Britannica's standard reference work of the same title, containing more than 2,000 primary source documents from 1493-2002. More than 1,500 authors are represented with speeches, essays, poetry, court decisions, and other documents important to our nation's history. In addition to the articles, there are over 700 images and multimedia files.

Authoritative Resources
www.chuh.org/students/ use the zip code of your school (441...) as the password.



Infohio a state agency that was created to do just that. Their website www.infohio.org provides teachers and students free access to a variety of resources that can be used both at home and at school.



AMICO (Art Museum Image Consortium) Library has an image collection of paintings, sculptures, drawings, photographs, textiles, costumes, jewelry and more, from earliest times to the present.



You will notice the letter "I" inside a circle (the Information symbol) beside many of the resources on the infohio site.. This will take you directly to a Getting Started Guide, lesson plans and other information specific to that resource.



The most comprehensive encyclopedia in the Spanish language containing over 47,000 articles plus 8,300 photos and images. It's the perfect resource for native Spanish speakers, bilingual students and students learning Spanish.

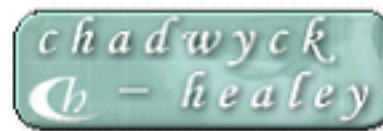


The Newsbank Newspaper Collection includes 15 from Ohio including 10 years of the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*.



Oxford Reference Online is a fully cross-searchable database of the complete texts of over 100 reference titles, including English and bilingual dictionaries, quotations, art and architecture, history, literature,

philosophy and religion, mythology, politics and social sciences, science and medicine, and more.



Literature Online from Chadwyck-Healey is the leading online database for English and American literature including rare and previously inaccessible works together with established literature, including 20th Century English, American and African-American Poetry, English and American Drama, 18th Century fiction, numerous editions and adaptations of Shakespeare and more.

Although these are wonderful resources, research skills are taught most effectively when planned along with your building Teacher-Librarian.



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