K-12 Teacher Learning Center Highlights

The K-12 Teaching & Learning Center is not an on-line encyclopedia, nor should it be used as a primary resource for retrieving facts fast. The most effective uses of the K-12 TLC include:

- **In-depth student research** for those projects requiring a range of content from a variety of resources.
- **Academic Competition Preparation:** Each year the K-12 TLC cross references the study guides from the major state and national academic competitions to the K-12 TLC content, providing extraordinary resources for student academic competition preparation.
- **Professional development,** especially for those teachers needing to bolster their own background knowledge. The K-12 TLC is a particularly effective tool for new teachers or teachers who find themselves in a new subject area or grade level. It is also an outstanding developmental tool for pre-service teachers in training.
- **Diversity education,** particularly thematic observances such as Hispanic Heritage Month, Black History Month and National Women's History Month.

Criteria for developing our links:

The content to which we link must be from a source that:

- **Is in the public domain.**
- **Has recognized credibility and reliability (e.g. museums, universities, libraries, etc.)**
- **Is appropriate and applicable to K-12 students and teachers.**
- **Is free of intrusive or objectionable content, pop-ups and advertising.**
- **Is stable and likely to be available in the future.**

Included among our tools and services are:

o   **an almanac, a calendar,**
o   **teachable moments,**
o   **a family guidance center,**
o   **an academic competitions resource center,**
o   *The Teacher Times***, hot lists for over 100 different instructional topics,**
o   **a resource request center,**
o   **a student research center,**
o   **three daily activities for student skill development**
o   **and much, much more; all developed around a comprehensive collection of links to the finest public-domain content available on the Internet for K-12 education**

Email your Research Project with specifics and they will compile a list of web resources and study guides for you. *