Library Media Center Resources for Families

(Students-Always check with your adult family member/parent before visiting a new website and get their permission to use it!)

Grade Level	What is it?	Where can I find it?	How do I use it? /Why do I use it?
Grades K-5	SC Discus- South Carolina State Library Website- Elementary	It is also an app on Launchpad: Discus If it asks you for a username/password, email library media specialist Kathryn Ellison at: kellison@rhmail.org Click on "By Grade Level" Click on "Early Elementary" or "Elementary" This is the list of databases available for that age group.	It is a free way for South Carolina families to use the following: • Encyclopedia Britannica • Culturegrams • Tumblebooks • Learn 360 • Kids Infobits • Brain Pop, Jr. And so much more!
Grades K-5	Animal Kingdom Database	www.scdiscus.org or in Launchpad app Click on "By Grade Level" Click on "Early Elementary" or "Elementary" Click on "Animal Kingdom"	Learn about the ecosystems, characteristics, and interesting facts about a variety of animals.
Grades 4K-5	Riverbanks Zoo Website	https://www.riverbanks.org/animals/ Riverbanks Zoo Instagram and Facebook Pages	Find out interesting facts about all of the animals living at Riverbanks Zoo in Columbia, SC.
Grades 4K-5	Lunch Doodles with Mo Willems Series	https://www.kennedy-center.org/education/mo-willems/ (Embedded Youtube Videos)	Author Mo Willems shares his love of drawing with fans of the Pigeon, Elephant and Piggie, and many more fun characters!
Grades 4K-5	Tumblebooks Database for Online Books	SC Discus (see above) Click on "By Grade Level" Click on "Early Elementary" or "Elementary" Click on "Learn 360"	Story/Picture books, chapter books, and graphic novels for students of all ages (age recommendation is on the details for each book)

Grades K-5	Learn 360	SC Discus (see above)	Videos on a variety of educational
	Database	Click on "By Grade Level"	subjects for grades K-12 (You can filter
		Click on "Early Elementary" or "Elementary"	by age group)
		Click on "Learn 360"	
Grades K-5	Storyline	https://www.storylineonline.net/library/	Celebrity read aloud versions of
	Online		popular children's books
	Website		
Grades K-5	Emily Arrow	https://www.youtube.com/emilyarrow	Emily Arrow is a children's singer,
	Youtube Page		ukulele musician, and children's book
			supporter. She writes music and lyrics
			to accompany popular children's
			books.
Grades 4K-5	Taylor Dee	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8QqXvZMsyns	Taylor Dee Spencer is a local author
	Youtube Page		who visited our school in March. This is
			her Youtube channel. She has lots of
			educational videos for K-5 students.
Grades 3-5	Hurricanes	https://coast.noaa.gov/hurricanes/	Many of our students have been
	Database		studying severe weather this year. This
			site allows students to track the paths
			and details of past hurricanes.
			Recommended for grades 3-5
Grades 4K-5	Jan Brett	https://www.janbrett.com/how_to_draw_a_hedgehog.htm	The website for author Jan Brett
	Website		features lots of student-friendly
			activities, including drawing characters
			from her books, and videos from Brett
			herself.
Grades 4K-5	Pete the Cat	http://www.petethecatbooks.com/songs/	Fun videos and activities from the
	Website		creator of Pete the Cat; Read Alouds of
		Petethecatoffical on Instagram	Pete the Cat books
Grades K-5	Seussville	https://www.seussville.com/play/fox-in-socks/	Dr. Seuss inspired games and activities
	Website		

Grades K-5	Peter H. Reynolds Website	Link to Facebook Page: https://www.peterhreynolds.com/news.html	Author Peter H. Reynolds will do a read aloud of one of his books each day.
Grades 4 and	Brain Pop	https://go.brainpop.com/COVID19?utm_source=bp-	Families can request free access to
up	Video	com&utm_medium=banner&utm_campaign=coronavirus&utm_cont	Brain Pop videos on a variety of
	Database	<u>ent=free-access</u>	academic subjects for students (Please note: as mentioned above, we have
			free access for students to Brain Pop, Jr. through SC Discus).
Grades 3-5	Scholastic	https://kids.scholastic.com/kids/videos/authors/	Check out videos from popular
	Author Videos		children's authors on how they create
	Website		the books we love!
Grades 3-5	Internet	https://www.commonsensemedia.org/videos/5-internet-safety-tips-	It is important to remember Internet
	Safety Tips	<u>for-kids</u>	safety during this time of digital
C 4 5	Video	har the control of th	learning.
Grades 1-5	Ranger Rick Online	https://rangerrick.org/	Ranger Rick and Ranger Rick Jr.
	Magazine and		magazines are popular with students for science and animal facts, activities,
	Website		and craft ideas. This is a free three
	Website		month membership, but does require a
			parent to input an email address.
5 th Grade	Smithsonian	https://ssec.si.edu/weather-lab	Students can use the weather lab to
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	Website		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Weather Lab		From the site: "Weather Lab is a tool
	and Brad	Facebook Page for Brad Panovitch Weather	to help visualize how North America's
	Panovitch		weather is formed. This lab is designed
	Weather		to model the complex interactions
	School		between air masses and ocean
			currents, but like all models it
			represents probable outcomes. Each

		Follow Brad Panovich	prediction you make is for possible outcomes during Spring." Charlotte meteorologist Brad Panovitch will provide his school weather presentation on Facebook. He will record it so it can also be viewed later.
		@wxbrad Chief Meteorologist @wcnc NBC Charlotte, Weather & Tech Geek! Cleveland & Charlotte Sports Fan & proud @OhioState grad. wxbrad.com #cltwx #ncwx #scwx	
4 th and 5 th Grades	Smithsonian Institute Website Plate Game	https://ssec.si.edu/pick-your-plate	This game teaches about nutrition and budgeting in various countries all over the world.
4K-3 Grades	Pete the Cat Read Alouds on Social Media	@petethecatofficial on Instagram JOIN IS AT NOON TONOROW FOR A LIVE VIRTUAL STORYTIME WITH PETE THE CAT CREATOR JAMES DEAN READ READ	James Dean, the creator of Pete the Cat, will share read alouds of Pete the Cat books.
Families	Disney Parks Imagineering in a Box	https://disneyparks.disney.go.com/blog/2020/03/enjoy-a-one-of-a-kind-learning-experience-from-disney-imagineers/	Free STEM-based lessons from Disney Imagineers that allow the viewer to create his or her own Disney park and character.

		https://www.khanacademy.org/humanities/hass-storytelling/imagineering-in-a-box	
K-5 th Grades	Lego Challenge	So Day LEG Challenge Follow the Instructions for each day. The only rule is to have furn and use your Irragination Tay 6 Day 8 Day 10 Day 7 Day 10 Day 7 Day 10 Day 8 Day 10 Da	Do you have legos at home? Then you can participate in this STEM activity-inspired Lego challenge! Try using your creativity to complete this challenge.
Families	Mindfulness Zoom Class	https://mailchi.mp/mindfulschools.org/kids-class-85116	Kids can participate in a free mindfulness class on Zoom. Instructions included on how to join.

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