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What is Discus?

Discus – South Carolina’s Virtual Library is the “information place” for all South Carolinians. It provides free access to an electronic library that’s available 24/7.

What does Discus provide?

Discus provides a variety of organized resources, called *databases**, for individuals of all ages, educational levels and interests.

The databases are organized by **grade level**:

- Early Childhood
- Elementary School
- Middle School
- High School

The databases are also organized by **subject**:

- Business, Economics & Legal
- Current Issues
- Facts & General Reference
- Famous People
- Geography
- Health & Medical
- History
- Literature & Language Arts
- Science & Technology
- Social Studies
- And more!

****Databases are large, organized, electronic collections of articles, books and other published information, including multimedia, that can be easily searched to find just the information you need.***

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Use Discus at all South Carolina public schools and many accredited private schools.

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Discus is also available at all South Carolina public libraries, colleges and universities.

Use Discus @ home

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What will I find in Discus?

- Magazines and newspapers
- Professional journals
- Reference books
- Encyclopedias
- Dictionaries
- E-books
- Maps and flags
- Lesson plans
- Student activities
- Multimedia
- Pictures and photographs
- Links to the best websites
- Government reports
- Primary sources, historic documents
- And much more!

Why should I use Discus?

Students and Parents . . .

- Homework assignments
- Term-paper research
- Science fair projects
- Pictures and maps for school projects
- Information on people, places and things of personal interest

Teachers . . .

- Teaching ideas and resources
- Graduate course research
- Current articles in your field
- Lifelong learning resources
- Information on people, places and things of personal interest