

TO: Teacher Librarians, Curriculum Directors, Technology Directors, Principals and Public Librarians
FROM: Iowa AEAS and State Library of Iowa
RE: **IEC Online Resource Products for 2010-2011 Free Trials: February 1 – March 15**
DATE: January 25, 2010

Iowa AEAs and the Iowa Educators Consortium (IEC) are again offering discounted pricing and statewide trials on some of the best Web-based library resources available for K-12, college and public libraries. These vendor partnerships offer:

- year-round purchasing **direct** from the company
- new products/features:
 - ProQuest** - Revised eLibrary, eLibrary Science and CultureGrams
 - EBSCO** - ELL Reference Center, Biography Reference Center, Literary Reference Center Plus
 - Facts On File** - World News Digest, Issues and Controversies, Today's Science
 - Gale** - Grzimek's Animal Life Online, Global Issues in Context
 - Newsbank** – New for 2010
- statewide previews February 1 through March 15, allowing you to **easily share trial information with your teachers** without the hassle of setting up individual school previews
- the flexibility to request a school preview outside the statewide trial period

The attached sheets list the products available at a discount through the IEC and may be duplicated for your teachers. Products can be ordered as early as February 1. The IEC discounts make it possible for you to provide your students with a wealth of information at a very reasonable cost. All products include school and home access for students and staff.

Statewide Trials – February 1 to March 15

The IEC trial site URL is listed on the attached sheets and on the IEC website. Please encourage your teachers and students to try these products during the trial period to see how they can enhance and support their curriculum. Visit the IEC website at www.iec-ia.org for complete information. (IEC website: www.iec-ia.org. Click on Media & Technology located on the left and then on Online Resources. Choose the product(s) of your choice). Trials will be active through March 15, 2010.

Renewals

If you currently subscribe to a product, renewal notices will be sent that reflect the IEC pricing. Renewals are submitted directly to the company.

Pricing and Ordering Directions

All orders are sent directly to the companies. Complete pricing and ordering directions are posted on the IEC website. A link to pricing is listed on each product's web page.

Iowa AEA Online

Iowa Area Education Agencies will again provide nine dynamic online resources to all Iowa accredited schools at no cost in 2010-2011. Students and staff have access to these products at school and at home 24 hours a day, seven days a week! Products include AccuWeather, Atomic Learning Library, iCLIPART For Schools, EBSCO, AP Images, SIRS Issues Researcher, Learn360, DE *streaming* and World Book Web. If you are not familiar with these products, please contact your AEA's IEC representative listed below. (EBSCO is available to all post secondary and public libraries at deep discounts. Contact the State Library for more information).

* Check www.bcr.org for discounts on additional school reference products. The Bibliographical Center for Research (BCR) is a nonprofit, multistate library cooperative that has served the library community since its founding in 1935. The State Library of Iowa provides Iowa membership. (BCR has pricing for Britannica, Grolier, H.W. Wilson, Roth and many others).

If you have any questions, please contact your AEA or State Library contact listed at:
<http://www.iec-ia.org/vnews/display.v/ART/4505d0185a4f8>