

The following LMC resources are available to assist you in locating appropriate information for your project.



[Spectrum \(online card catalog\)](#)

The Spectrum icon is available on all library computers.

[Databases](#) are accessible from the library's web site:

- Careers
- Ebsco Host
- NewsBank
- CQ Researcher
- Health and Wellness
- Student Resource Center
- Discovering Collections

[High School Library Web Site:](#)

<http://www.ncsd.k12.mo.us/nchs/lmc/index.htm>

Copyright Ethics or 'Cite Your Site'

All web information belongs to the creator. The creator owns the rights. Those rights are called 'Intellectual Property Rights'. If you did not create the information it does not belong to you.

Cite your site or be subjected to the penalties of plagiarism!!!

What is the Big6?

Developed by educators Mike Eisenberg and Bob Berkowitz, the Big6 is the most widely-known and widely-used approach to teaching information and technology skills in the world. The Big6 is an information and technology literacy model and curriculum, implemented in thousands of schools - K through higher education. Some people call the Big6 an information problem-solving strategy because with the Big6, students are able to handle any problem, assignment, decision or task.



For more information visit the Big6 web site at:
<http://www.big6.com>

North County Senior High School



'Raider' Research

The NCSD School District promotes the Big6, a research based process to locate and evaluate information.

Visit the LMC's web site for helpful sources, tips and guidelines that may help you complete your project.

<http://www.ncsd.k12.mo.us/nchs/lmc/index.htm>

Have a question?? The Library Staff will be glad to assist you.



'Raider Research'

Your Research Problem, Question and or Topic is.....



List **Key Words** to help locate information.
(Think of synonyms for your topic.)



Ask the following questions?

Who?
What?
Why?
When?
How?



Apply the Big6 process?

1. ...define the information problem?
2. ...select the best sources to locate information?
3. ...find information within the sources?
4. ...extract relevant information for your topic?
5. ...organize your information?
6. ...verify your information from various sources?

Don't have enough or too much information for your project? Ask your teacher or the librarian to help you select the best information.

Did you remember to print, copy, and/or check out your materials?

How to Evaluate a Web Site

The Internet contains a lot of 'cool' web sites. Web sites are created by people - all kinds of interesting people create all kinds of interesting web sites - but do they know what they are talking about? Are the sites useful for your project?? Only you can decide. So become an expert on weeding out false information. You have to be an information detective.

The easiest way to determine credibility of a web site (do not confuse databases as web sites) is to apply the MLA citation guidelines. Try it!!

Web Evaluation Checklist:

Does the web site have.....

- ___ An author with verifiable credentials
- ___ An organization that is clearly responsible for the information
- ___ Can the author and/or company be verified as being legit?

If you answered no to two of the above then stop wasting your time and locate another web site.

If you answered yes to two or more continue.....

- ___ Spelling and grammar is correct
- ___ The writing is factual and not slanted toward a particular point of view
- ___ The ads are separate from the content
- ___ Update information is recent
- ___ The URL is a credible .com; .org; .edu; .gov
- ___ Information can be verified in other sources

Use your common sense. Just because it is on the Internet does not make it credible, reliable, or truthful information.