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FIVE NEW BOOKS

Transformative Assessment by W. J. Popham

The great awakening by J. Wallis

Campaigning for President by J. Wright

Managing Diverse Classrooms by C. Rothstein-Fisch

Celebrity diplomacy by A. Cooper







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Kansas State Databases Offerings,

EbscoHost Database Interface and Listings Change

.All summer long, Kansas librarians were concerned about the changes that would be made when it came to the Kansas State Databases that were going to be offered to students, since budget crunches would not allow the library to make any major changes to databases if the State Library did not come through with an acceptable package of database offerings to students in Kansas.

The final decision eliminated the ProQuest Database from the list of offerings to students, and it was also decided, that the State would not pick up the Ebsco databases as had been requested by most academic librarians in the State, but instead, it was decided that the State would pick up a package of the least expen-

sive Gale database offerings and provide more databases that could be used by Public Libraries in the State. This package includes very limited Ebsco databases that are generally used by elementary and middle school children and teachers, such as Mas Ultra, Primary Search, Middle Search and Ebsco Animals. In addition, the State library also provides users with a set of World Book Encyclopedias in English and Spanish.

New databases offerings that have been added specifically for the Public Library populations are:the Chilton's Auto Repair and Novelist databases.

Ottawa students will notice when they used the EbscoHost database in the library this year,

that not only is there a major interface change to this database, but that database offerings have also changed. Ebsco has currently added the academic databases that are being offered through our Kansas State Library to Ottawa University's database list, in an attempt to make these new databases visible to our users and also easier to locate and use. So, you will find that the following new databases have been added to the EbscoHost database: ERIC, Professional Development Collection, Topic Search, Health Source Consumer Edition and Nursing & Allied Health Source.

If students need help with the new EbscoHost interface, they can visit the Ottawa website and go to the Research Help tab. The EbscoHost Tutorial link is listed

Library Handbook 2007-8 Outdated

With all the database changes that have taken place over the Summer, the Library Handbook 2007-8 which is located on the library website has become somewhat outdated. An update is currently being prepared for 2008-2009 and will be uploaded onto the portal as soon as possi-

ble. If you have any questions about any of the database offerings that are currently available to Ottawa U students, faculty and staff or if you have questions that are related to database content, please contact the library. Please also note that students can no longer checkout e-books

from Netlibrary. They are however, still have to read e-books by logging into the Netlibrary site and also through the library catalog; but e-book checkout is no longer possible.