

## Safe Image Searches on the Internet

NISD has blocked access to several **image search engines** (e.g., Google Images) to reduce the possibility of students encountering inappropriate content while on the Internet, as mandated by federal law (*CIPA - Children's Internet Protection Act, 2001*). **Northside ISD provides a safe image searching solution via district online databases, which currently contain over 437,000 images.** More images are added frequently.

Online databases create a digital library that includes magazines and newspapers from around the world, encyclopedias and atlases, books, image archives, audio and video clips, and so much more. These resources are not Internet websites; they are searchable collections (i.e. databases) of content and rich information. NISD purchases subscriptions to online databases each year so that students and teachers can use them free of charge from an Internet-connected computer **at home or school.**

**Username and passwords are available from your school librarian.**

Online Database	Address	Image Quantity
<b>Ebsco</b>	<a href="http://search.epnet.com">http://search.epnet.com</a>	276,132
<b>Gale</b>	<a href="http://infotrac.galegroup.com">http://infotrac.galegroup.com</a>	88,023
<b>Britannica</b>	<a href="http://school.eb.com">http://school.eb.com</a> (English) and <a href="http://spanish.eb.com">http://spanish.eb.com</a> (Spanish)	21,000
<b>UnitedStreaming</b>	<a href="http://klrn.unitedstreaming.com">http://klrn.unitedstreaming.com</a>	20,000
<b>Facts on File</b>	<a href="http://www.fofweb.com">http://www.fofweb.com</a>	17,000
<b>World Book Online</b>	<a href="http://www.worldbookonline.com">http://www.worldbookonline.com</a>	15,000
	<b>Total Images</b>	<b>437,155</b>

Many campuses purchase other online databases, in addition to the district-wide databases listed above. Visit your school librarian for more information, including tips on how to search specifically for images or other types of media.