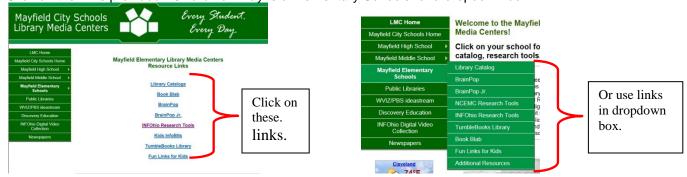
# Gates Mills Elementary School The Mayfield Schools Elementary Library Media Centers

#### **Library Media Centers Website**

To access via the Mayfield webpage, click on the link titled Library Media Center on the Gates Mills Elementary School homepage or go directly to <a href="http://www.mayfieldlibraries.org/mayfield/">http://www.mayfieldlibraries.org/mayfield/</a>.



Click on the links provided. Or click on Mayfield Elementary Schools for a dropdown box.



## LIBRARY CATALOG

Each library's collection of books and magazines can be searched by using the online catalog. The welcome screen allows the student to choose between the CAT and the CAT Jr. interface. CAT Jr. is intended for use by primary students. It uses cartoon graphics to represent the various search options.

#### **BRAINPOP/BRAINPOP JR.**

Brainpop and Brainpop Jr. contain animated curriculum-based content which is aligned to academic standards. The content include movies, quizzes, experiments, timelines, and activity pages, Subject areas include Math, Science, Social Studies, English, Technology, Arts & Music, and Health. Email Mrs. Sekerak for the required username and password.

#### NCEMC RESEARCH TOOLS/Kids InfoBits

Kids InfoBits is a research tool designed for kindergarten through fifth graders. This database covers science, history, geography, people, sports, and more. Using a graphic subject tree for searching, the student can move from a broad subject to a narrow one and locate full text articles from reference sources and magazines. Email Mrs. Sekerak for the required username and password.

# **INFOHIO RESEARCH TOOLS**

INFOHIO is another great place to find accurate, reliable, safe information. The Grades K-5 button leads the student to information written at an elementary level. Resources include World Book, Biography Reference Bank, Science Online, and Searchasaurus. Email Mrs. Sekerak for the required username and password.

#### **TUMBLEBOOK LIBRARY**

TumbleBooks is a collection of interactive animated talking picture books for children. Children can chose to read the text or have the stories read to them. Some books feature "Word Help" to assist children in sounding out words. There are also book-related puzzles and games to play. Although the TumbleBook Library primarily contains storybooks, some early readers, chapter books, and classics are available on the site. New this year is the addition of National Geographic videos. Email Mrs. Sekerak for the required username and password.

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#### **BOOK BLAB BLOG**

Book Blab contains book reviews written by students and staff. You can scroll through the reviews to locate interesting titles. You can also search for a specific title or by category. Parents and students are welcome to make comments on the blog. To add a comment for a particular book, click on the red Comment link above the review or the red Leave a Comment link below the review. When providing a name, students should use only a first name. Type the comment in the message box and then click Submit Comment.

#### Other Information

# LIBRARY CLASSES

Each week your child visits the school library. A story, lesson, or activity is provided. The children learn age-appropriate library skills, including using our online catalog and the INFOhio electronic resources. When choosing library books, the children are encouraged to find at least one book on their reading level and to locate books that can be used for assignments like book reports. The borrowing period for all students is three weeks. Younger children usually bring their books back each week. Older students may need to keep their books out longer. If a child needs a book for more than three weeks, it can easily be renewed. Students will periodically receive overdue notices for late books; however, fines are NOT charged for late books.

## **CARE OF LIBRARY BOOKS**

Each year the care of library books is discussed with the students. Please remind your child to wash his hands before reading, to keep food and drinks away from the books, and to never write or draw in a book. Find a safe place to keep your child's library books, away from younger siblings and pets. If your child carries a water bottle in his backpack, make sure all books are protected. Let's try to keep our library books looking new!