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Steubenville
282-9782

Adena Branch
167 Hanna Avenue
Adena
546-3782

Brilliant Branch
103 Steuben Street
Brilliant
598-4028

**Dillonvale-
Mt.Pleasant Branch**
192 Cole Street
Dillonvale
769-2090

Schiappa Branch
4141 Mall Drive
Steubenville
264-6166

Tiltonsville Branch
702 Walden Avenue
Tiltonsville
859-5163

Toronto Branch
607 Daniels Street
Toronto
537-1262

Bookmobile Service
282-9782

Education Not A Hot Topic For '08 Election

Source: Weekend Edition Sunday (NPR) 5/25/2008

Database: Newspaper Source

According to an interview with Ari Shapiro and Former Governor Roy Romer of Colorado, voter polls indicate that their interest in education ranks third. The war and economy dominates the press. As a way out for the economy, Romer suggested increasing skills and knowledge...

The article goes on to say that, based on a PISA study, the U.S. sorely lags behind in education. Speculation for this was chimed in by comments from the public. They include parental involvement and mass media pop culture.

Read the full article by visiting the Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County website then clicking on "Ohio Web Library."

Ohio Web Library, Fast and Reliable

Use it like Google. Click on the "Ohio Web Library" icon, at the library's website, then again click on the icon. Type in a keyword for a topic you're researching and instantly you will have a myriad of reliable databases of information that will appear.

Ohio Web Library replaces One Search, which allowed users to scroll down to a specific database. You can still do that, but now have the option of typing in a topic to research.

Kids & Reading By The Numbers

Check out these latest findings by the Scholastic/Yankelovich 2008 Kids & Family Reading published in Publisher's Weekly.

90: % of children ages 5-17 who believe they "need to be a strong reader to get into a good college"

81: % of parents who rank reading among the top three important skills for their child

82: % of parents who wish their child engaged in more pleasure reading

80: % of children ages 5-8 who believe reading for fun is extremely or very important

56: % of children ages 5-8 who believe reading for fun is extremely or very important

15: Age after which children are more likely to have read a magazine than a book in the past week

29: % of children who are high frequency Internet users who are also high frequency pleasure readers

62: % of children who prefer printed books to digital ones

11: Age after which friends pass mothers as the top source of ideas about books to read for fun

8: Age after which more children go online daily than read daily

29: % of children who have read a digital book in the last year

Free Homework Help For All Ages

Free homework help for students at the library will be starting this fall.

Children of all ages who need help can now get assistance at the Main Library. Education majors from the Franciscan University will be at the library every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30-5:00 beginning October 7.

Reservations will not be needed.

Teachers' Link

The library has a link just for you on our website. Click on "library services" then scroll down to "teachers."

There are back issues of this newsletter, forms for assignment alerts, and library card applications for schools.

You can also get a list of information for classroom visits for each grade level.

Six Early Literacy Skills

The Public Library of Steubenville and Jefferson County is spreading the word about the six early literacy skills.

Reading experts say these six skills are building blocks for later reading and writing: vocabulary, print motivation, print awareness, narrative skills, letter knowledge, and phonological awareness. Read more about it and download a chart from our website under "library services" then "children's link."