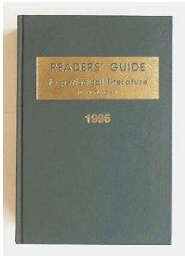


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# Locating Sources of Information II

Magazine & Newspaper Articles – Magazine and newspaper articles can be located using print resources, database resources, and Internet. Internet resources typically allow you to view articles for current issues only. Fees are usually charged for archival (older) issues. Paid database resources offer full text and **abstract** information for magazines and newspapers. **Abstract** information is an **annotation** or brief summary of an article instead of the entire article. This type of information is helpful for determining if an article might be useful but will require that you then find the original periodical or newspaper at your local library or borrow it through interlibrary loan. Electronic databases allow you to find appropriate materials using keyword searching and archive articles to a certain date.

Rye High subscribes to EBSCO-host. Currently, this database indexes articles to the late 1970s. Each year, the date is extended farther as more articles are put into an electronic format. PCCLD also subscribes to magazine and newspaper databases that can be accessed through the Internet by using your library card and pin number. To view PCCLD databases, go to <http://www.pueblolibrary.org>, hover over “Search Electronic References” and click on “Library Users.” Some of the resources you will see include (1) General Reference, Magazines, and Books, (2) Electric Library, (3) Academic Search Premier, (4) Colorado Newspapers, (5) Colorado Historic Newspaper Collection, (6) Business Source Premier, (7) Regional Business News, (8) First Search, and (9) Fuente Academica.



For older (and up-to-date) magazine articles, the public library has a set of books called “**Reader’s Guide to Periodical Literature**.” This comprehensive set indexes articles from 1890 to the current year. Updates are acquired on a regular basis. This resource is invaluable for finding information on a wide variety of topics. The index guides provides brief annotations for articles listed by topic but does not give full text. You will need to ask a librarian for a physical copy of the magazine or newspaper (if available) or borrow a copy through interlibrary loan.

At Rye High, we have National Geographic from 1950 to the current date. Our holdings aren’t complete but we can borrow missing issues as needed. National Geographic publishes an index. This allows you to search for specific content without looking through every single magazine.

In addition to resources already mentioned, the public library has microfilm for many major newspapers. This can be viewed at the library for free and you can print articles from microfilm for .10 per page.

While in high school, you will be required to locate and use **scholarly or professional journal articles** on occasion. These journals are published by field experts and contain valuable information about the latest research in a given field. They use technical language and are geared for an audience with a solid background in the subject area. This type of information is housed in academic libraries such as CSU-Pueblo. You will need to plan ahead to schedule time to travel to an academic library to locate an appropriate article.

Books and Government Documents – Rye High School currently owns some 5,500+ items. The majority of these items are available for check-out. The check-out period is three weeks and items not requested and placed on a reserve list may be renewed as needed. To expand access to print resources, items are retrieved from the public library twice per week. You can search the electronic catalog at <http://www.pueblolibrary.org> and request materials on interlibrary loan. There is no charge for this service. You may also borrow items from schools using the **Follett consortia**. To access an electronic catalog of these items, go to the Rye High website, select the media center, and then select Follett. For difficult to locate topics, **WorldCat** (part of the First Search database accessible through the public library) provides access to books owned by libraries throughout the United States and Canada. There are over 9,000 member institutions who list holdings in this database greatly expanding access to resources.

Rye High does not receive government documents. However, we do have donated copies of the **Statistical Abstract** and the **Colorado Revised Statutes**. PCCLD is a **depository library** meaning they are sent government documents on a regular basis. However, of all the government documents published, they only receive 13% to 15%. More and more government documents are becoming available online through the Internet. These are free resources that are considered to be authoritative. To view these, go to <http://www.gpoaccess.gov/>.

While in high school, you will be required to locate and use information about other countries. An authoritative government resource available online is the **CIA World Factbook**. You can access this resource at <http://www.cia.gov/cia/publications/factbook/index.html>.