# **Resource Overview**

Students in the Renton School District can now seamlessly log in from school, home or from any computer or device to use KCLS' array of electronic resources, including the following:

### **HOMEWORK HELP**

Using their Student Account, students have access to live help from professional tutors online from 2 pm-midnight daily. Online tutoring is available in English or Spanish from Tutor.com through the Student Portal at www.kcls.org/students. Students can choose the subjects they want to work on, save projects in progress, and review saved sessions. Students can also use the "Ask a Librarian" feature for research help at www.kcls.org/ask.

# **DOWNLOADABLES**

Using their Student Account, students can:

- Download eBooks in several formats. Many titles are also available as audio books. The KCLS eBook collection is searchable for Lexile scores, genre or subject.
- Download popular digital magazines through Zinio. The collection has about every genre, including Popular Science, Wired, Discover and many others for scientific types.
- Watch streaming videos, including many documentaries from Overdrive Videos and Access Video.

## SCHOOL RESEARCH & LEARNING

Each student's account gives them access to more than 65 databases that include current and historical information on topics your students want or need to know about. The more popular databases include:

- Biography in Context: Biographical sketches and articles focusing on nearly 275,000 individuals.
- Opposing Viewpoints: An online resource providing informed, differing views for each side of an issue.
- Press Display: Full view newspapers from 100+ countries with 60+ languages.
- NY Times Historical: Articles from New York Daily Times (1851-1857) and New York Times (1857-2009).
- Lynda.com: An organized collection of training videos for many types of software and computer skills.
- TumbleBooks and BookFlix both offer a large library of children's book for your student to listen to or read along with.
- Britannica Online: Explore the updated online encyclopedia from Encyclopedia Britannica.

#### **COLLEGE AND CAREER PREP KCLS**

Also provides information and resources to help students prepare for college and careers. Students can:

- Use Test Preparation services through Brainfuse.com to get help from online tutors 7 days a week from 1-10pm to help prepare for the MSP, HSPE, and SAT tests.
- Use the Testing & Education Reference Center database to explore colleges and careers, or prepare for the ACT, SAT, and more with online books and practice tests.
- Find scholarship resources and research potential colleges and careers at www.kcls.org/teens/lifeaOerhighschool.