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### FROM THE DATABASE COORDINATOR



Welcome to this special edition of Database News & Offers specifically for our Public Library members.

The highlight of this issue is the many new discounts we have available for electronic resources. Please see all the information below.

Want to know how these discounts came about, or better yet how to get involved in the process? See the section below on the Tenn-Share Electronic Resources Committee (TSERC).

We also have information on a possible future purchase of CultureGrams, or similar product (and another chance to get involved!).

Also check out the limited time FREE access to *Teen Health & Wellness*.

Our picture today shows the Smyrna Public Library in Rutherford County.

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### DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE ON DATABASES

Discounts are available for the following electronic resources of interest to Public Libraries. To access the information or to receive the discount, **your library must be a Tenn-Share member** (not sure if you're a member? Check here: <http://www.tenn-share.org/membership/0910T#Public>).

- ◆ Books 24x7
- ◆ EBSCO Databases (Business, Consumer Reports, MasterFile, Reference Centers)
- ◆ Facts on File databases (Writers' Ref, World News Digest, Issues & Controversies, Today's Science)
- ◆ ProQuest Ancestry.com, Entrepreneurship (see more about CultureGrams below)
- ◆ TumbleBooks
- ◆ Value Line
- ◆ World Trade Press (similar to CultureGrams – see below)

- ◆ Several online language learning products (a committee is comparing/reviewing these -- see below)
  - BYKI (Recorded Books)
  - Mango
  - Powerspeak (Gale)
  - TellMeMore
- ◆ Several job/career databases (a committee is comparing/reviewing these -- see below)
  - Career Accelerator (Learning Express)
  - Career Transitions (Gale)
  - COIN Career Library (EBSCO)
  - Current Issues: Careers (Wilson)
  - Ferguson's Career Center (Facts on File)
  - JobNow! (Brainfuse)
  - Optimal Resume
  - Tutor.com Career Center

For more information, pricing, and trials, click on the links above or go here: <http://www.tenn-share.org/resources/databases>. **Most of the discounts are available for current subscribers** – contact me to sign up!

If you are a member and have not yet **created an account on the Tenn-Share web site**, create one here: <http://www.tenn-share.org/user/register>. After you create an account, I'll have to approve you as a member (can take up to 24 hours). Then log in to access the database information.

For questions, quotes or **to order any of these products, simply email [databases@tenn-share.org](mailto:databases@tenn-share.org)** with all the relevant information (specific product, number of students, current subscription status, etc.)

Please keep in mind that the pricing listed for the products below is initial pricing. If a number of new subscribers are interested in a particular purchase, we can sometimes renegotiate a larger discount. So be sure to express interest in products, even if the pricing is a little high. A list of interested libraries will be added to the product's web page, so you can see which of your colleagues want to subscribe.

Vendors/products still in negotiation:

- ◆ Wilson (Wilson Core, Senior High Online, Middle & Junior High Online, and Wilson OmniFile Full Text, Select)
- ◆ ProQuest

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## TSERC & THE PROCESS

Many librarians are interested in suggesting other electronic resources for discounted pricing (or, even better, for TEL if possible). All the suggestions are funneled through the Tenn-Share Electronic Resources Committee (TSERC). All the info on this committee can be found here: <http://www.tenn-share.org/committees/tserc>.

To give your input or to get involved on the committee, contact the chair of the Public subcommittee, Stephanie Masin (Memphis) [masins@memphislibrary.org](mailto:masins@memphislibrary.org), or the other Public committee members: Kathy Ossi (Williamson Co.), [kossi@williamson-tn.org](mailto:kossi@williamson-tn.org), and Misty Bach, (Upper Cumberland Regional), [misty.bach@tn.gov](mailto:misty.bach@tn.gov).

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## CULTUREGRAMS & PRC

Another way to get involved in the discount process is to serve on a Product Review Committee (PRC). These committees review and compare similar products, or investigate new products. Currently, there are PRCs comparing different language learning products and job/career databases. **There is still a need for more members on the Job/Career PRC** – please contact [databases@tenn-share.org](mailto:databases@tenn-share.org) if you have an interest in these resources and want to represent the Public Library perspective. All work is done through email – no travel required.

We are also **investigating a large discount/purchase of CultureGrams** or one of its competing products (such as [Rand McNally Classroom](#) or World Trade Press's [AtoZtheUSA](#) and [AtoZWorldCulture](#)). If you would like to serve on a committee looking at these types of products and helping everyone save lots of money, contact Stephanie Masin (Memphis) [masins@memphislibrary.org](mailto:masins@memphislibrary.org), and volunteer for the Public Library PRC.

As part of investigating a group purchase of CultureGrams, it would help if we knew how much everyone was spending on it already. **If your library already subscribes, PLEASE let me know** at [databases@tenn-share.org](mailto:databases@tenn-share.org) how much you are paying.

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## TLA CONFERENCE



If you are attending the TLA conference next week and have any questions or comments, feel free to grab me in the hallway – I'll be around (see the picture if you don't know what I look like!). Or, come to the session on the Tennessee Consortial Purchase Project (what brought about all these discounts). It's "Partner Your Way to Success," on Friday afternoon from 3:00-3:50.

You can also catch me and like-minded folks at the TLA Electronic Resources Roundtable meeting, Thursday at 9:00.

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## FREE DATABASE FOR MARCH/APRIL



Rosen Publishing, proud three-time sponsor of Teen Tech Week, is pleased to offer you a FREE trial to its award-winning, critically acclaimed [Teen Health & Wellness](#) database.

Get started right away at <http://teenhealthandwellness.com>.  
Username: teentech      Password: teentech

Your free trial begins on 02/25/10 and ends on 04/15/10. We will send a reminder with the trial end date a few days before your access expires.

To celebrate Teen Tech Week, Rosen Publishing is hosting an exciting new **"It's Your Cause" Video Contest.**

From depression to dating to green living, your teens can spread the word about any Teen Health & Wellness topic they feel passionately about by creating a PSA (public service announcement). All videos that meet [submission guidelines](#) will be published on Teen Health & Wellness when we launch our video program this summer.

**Plus, three teens will be selected at random from the pool of submissions to win an iPod Shuffle. And one library will be selected at random to win a free twelve-month subscription to Teen Health & Wellness.**

Contact [miriamg@rosenpub.com](mailto:miriamg@rosenpub.com) today or call (877) 381-6649 with questions about the contest or free trial access.

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