ERAC

Frequently Asked Questions

What is ERAC?

ERAC is a consortium of participating BC public school districts, the Yukon Education Authority, and B.C. Independent Schools. By working together, the consortium is able to bargain the best pricing for resources, such as our Research Databases (also known as the ERAC BC Digital Classroom) and Office 365 suite. For more information go to ERAC's home page, then click on About Us, at the bottom of the screen.

What services does ERAC provide?

ERAC provides a range of shared services to support its members including:

- Identification and evaluation of learning resources: *K-12 Evaluated Resource Collection*
- Curriculum implementation support
- Oversight of licensing agreements and opportunities for service savings
- Access to privacy impact assessments
- Leadership in the areas of emerging technologies within the K12 environment
- Supports and encouragement of the sharing of knowledge and experience within the membership
- Hosts annual member invitational conference in November
- The goal is to align activities to minimize redundancy of effort and expenditure across the system. (from: https://bcerac.ca/about-us/)

How can I explore all that ERAC offers?

You can explore the ERAC site at https://bcerac.ca/ but to have access to all of ERAC's services, you will need to create a free account.

From the <u>ERAC Home Page</u>, be sure to check out the <u>Education & Curriculum</u> tab, where you will find great resources such as:

- K to 12 Education Resource Collection: Here you can search for ERAC approved resources to support the B.C. Curriculum.
- <u>Professional Learning Support</u>: Here you will find support materials to help you make best use of the BC Digital Classroom collection resources.
- <u>Webinars</u>: A compilation of tip sheets on how to use the Research Databases.
- <u>Curriculum Connections</u>: Examples of how specific ERAC resources align with the B.C. Curriculum.
- BC Digital Classroom Access: A list of the databases and access to them.