

# Empowered Desktop by Kan-ed Applications and Resources

## Welcome to the Empowered Desktop by Kan-ed!

Through the Empowered Desktop, Kan-ed provides all Kansas students and teachers with a custom web portal full of applications and resources that make learning fun and interactive. Many of the Empowered Desktop by Kan-ed applications and resources are highlighted below.

### LS TEST BUILDER

**LS Test Builder** provides all Kansas educators with an easy-to-use system for creating, sharing and assessing formative assessments. A database of nearly 8,000 test items, all aligned with Kansas state standards, makes it easy to deliver formative assessments and then differentiate instruction based on students' needs.



**NetTrekker d.i.**, America's #1 academic search engine, connects you and your students to over 180,000 educator-selected resources that support the complete K-12 curricula and 21st century learning skills. Resources are organized by readability rating and aligned with state standards.



**The Education Backpack** is a web-based file management system. It provides users of the Empowered Desktop with access to Internet storage space that meets the needs of teachers and students.



With **HomeworkKansas**, Kansas students have after-school access to tutors in a variety of curriculum areas.

## Connected Kansas Kids

**Connected Kansas Kids** is a website designed for children with chronic illnesses, their classmates, teachers and loved ones. It provides information about chronic illnesses affecting children and how to support children with those illnesses in school.



**Gale Group/Thomson Gale** provides vast and dynamic databases. They are known for the accuracy, breadth and convenience of the data that addresses many types of information needs.



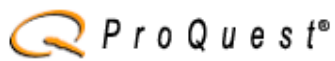
**HeritageQuest** is the largest genealogical data provider in the United States and also provides historical data, including census records.



**Kan-ed Live** provides members with live webcast capabilities including real time feedback and archives.



**The Kansas Digital Library (KDL)** is a cooperative partnership among the state's archives, museums, historical societies and libraries. This partnership expands awareness and availability of these collections and focuses on materials that are unique to Kansas.



**ProQuest** provides access to thousands of periodicals and newspapers containing full-text articles from 1986.



**SIRS Discoverer** is an award-winning, general reference resource for young researchers that makes learning fun and intuitive. The database includes full-text articles and images from more than 1,600 domestic and international newspapers, magazines and government documents.



**Territorial Kansas** provides a virtual repository for territorial Kansas history. It includes hundreds of personal letters, diaries, photos and maps that bring to life the settling of Kansas.



**World Book, Inc.** provides accuracy, objectivity, and reliability in research materials for both children and adults. World Book is an industry leader in the production of award-winning encyclopedias, reference sources and multimedia products for the home and schools.

### Adding resources to the Empowered Desktop

Additional applications and resources can be added to the Empowered Desktop by Kan-ed, providing students and educators with a single site for all of their learning and teaching resources. To learn more about **adding links to resources you already own, purchasing additional resources and participating in state-wide cooperative purchases**, contact LearningStation.

There are hundreds of resources that can be delivered through the Empowered Desktop. To learn more, contact a LearningStation representative at 1-888-679-7058 or [lscsupport@learningstation.com](mailto:lscsupport@learningstation.com).