

The Becker Media Center
2006-2007 Parent Handbook

Search the Library Catalog

You can find books in the Media Center in school and from your home computer! Search by keyword, subject, title, or author.

In school:

Use the OPAC (online public access catalog). There is one on every computer in the media center and most classroom computers. Simply Click on Card Catalog/OPAC.

At home:

Click on “Search our Catalog” or visit:

<http://www.margateschools.org/webopac/main?siteid=TMC>

From home, you can see if the book is available for you to check out during the next school day! Use this to assist with Research Projects, Interesting books, Audio and Educational Internet Sites.

The Becker Media Center subscribes to several organizations to provide your child with the best research tools available to assist with homework, projects, and various assignments.

Check out the online resources such as:

- **EbscoHost**—Use student researcher to get information on your topic from educationally relevant resources such as: Encyclopedias, Newspapers, Magazines, etc.
- **CountryWatch**-current statistics, maps and news for every country in the world!
- **NoodleTools** - Create your bibliographies and note cards using this great online subscription service

ACCESS DATABASES

1. Go to the Media Center Home Page or type in:
http://www.margateschools.org/eat/mediacenter/tighe_mediacenter.html
2. Click on Online Databases.
 - NoodleTools)
3. Margate Public Library has a great selection of online resources and databases: <http://www.margatelibrary.org/onlinedb.htm>

- CLICK ON “FROM HOME”.
- Enter the 14 digit MPL Library Number found on the back of your public library card.

Got homework? Here are some options:

- Meet a teacher in the Becker Media Center Homework Club after school:
 - Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday: 3:20-4:50 p.m.
 - Wednesdays: 3:20-5:20 p.m.

After School hours and you still have homework?

B.J. Pinchbeck's Homework Helper:

<http://school.discovery.com/homeworkhelp/bjpinchbeck/>