

# Kan-ed Services Enhance Teaching & Learning at Xavier Elementary

Vera Daniels, sixth grade math teacher at Xavier Elementary School in Leavenworth, uses Kan-ed services weekly, primarily the Kan-ed Empowered Desktop and the Kan-ed sponsored Educational and Research Databases. The Empowered Desktop consolidates a variety of teaching and learning applications in one location, including applications such as Backpack, an online data storage application. Daniels commented, “The Backpack is a wonderful tool. I have students write and submit assignments. The assignments are graded and returned to the Backpack. Students are able to download and upload documents with ease, a critical skill in today’s world.”

The Educational and Research Databases provide an immense amount of reference material to Xavier’s students and educators. The databases contain current and accurate information on a broad range of subjects and content areas; a few of the Kan-ed databases are Gale/Cengage, WorldBook Online, and HeritageQuest. For school districts to obtain the same amount of reference material, they would have to use a considerable amount of their budget in order to get the hard copy references. In the ever-changing realm of information, these hard copy reference materials would grow outdated and would need to be replaced frequently with up-to-date material.

Daniels said, “For our Science Fair projects, students have used the research sites to help find information necessary for the research portion of the projects. Science Fair projects are long term. Students were able to use the resources available on Kan-ed to keep track of project parts, find information for research purposes, and submit and re-submit papers until they were acceptable. Kan-ed is a wonderful service that has greatly enhanced my teaching and my students’ learning.”



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