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Do you need information to do your job? The State Library offers web-based research databases to state employees.

EBSCOhost and FirstSearch are high quality information resources with links to thousands of magazines, newspapers, journals and graphics that cover virtually any area of research or professional need. State employees with a State Library card can use these databases by visiting the State Library’s website at [www.silo.lib.ia.us](http://www.silo.lib.ia.us) and entering their card number.

Training is available to help you get the most out of these databases. Find out how to use EBSCOhost’s “Alert” feature to receive email notification when articles in your areas of interest are added to the database. Go to <http://silo.lib.ia.us/for-state-govt/databases/index.html> to sign up for EBSCOhost classes. Call 515-281-4102 to schedule additional training sessions.

To get a library card go to <http://www.silo.lib.ia.us/for-state-govt/state-library-card/borrower-registration-form.htm> and fill out the registration form or call our reference desk at 515-281-4102.

Other services that the State Library offers state employees free of charge are:

\*Answers for your information needs

\*Specialized databases for census, health, law, and patents information

\*Document delivery – we can put virtually any book or article in your hands

\*Computer lab and meeting rooms

\*Quiet study areas – food and drink are allowed

\*On-line catalog to our resources – if you find something you want, request it with a click of your mouse

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