

Welcome to the UCS Success Toolkit

The Success Toolkit is a one-stop location for no-cost online resources for students and parents to promote student success.

The Toolkit is located on all UCS websites and conveniently on mobile devices using the UCS App. Here is a brief listing of the resources you will find:

Virtual Library Card

NEW for 2017-18, the UCS Virtual Library Card includes access to eBooks, music streaming and downloads, eMagazines, and a host of other electronic reference resources. Also available: Tutor.com

Following your school's Open House, parents will be sent a secure email with your student's Library Card Number and PIN. A separate email will be sent for each student.

To use the virtual card:

Go to the UCS Success Toolkit, located on all UCS websites and on the UCS app, then click on the Virtual Library Card icon. Login to any of the resources listed with the supplied Library Card Number and PIN provided in the email.

OverDrive features fiction and nonfiction ebooks and audiobooks for a 14 - 21 day loan. Kindle book, EPUB, PDF, MP3 and OverDrive platform. Apps for iOS, Android, Kindle Fire, Windows and PC/Mac.

RB Digital gives access to approximately 100 popular magazines in electronic format, current and back issues, with unlimited checkouts and no due dates. Apps for iOS, Android, Kindle Fire HD/HDX and PC/Mac.

Freegal: Find over 9 million songs and 15,000 music videos for MP3 format. Offers 5 titles per week to download and keep and 3 hours daily streaming. Apps for iOS, Android and PC/Mac.

Tutor.com is an online, interactive help with homework, studying for an exam, understanding a classroom lesson, skills assessment, instructional videos, SAT and ACT preparation. Certified, subject expert tutors are available from seven days a week from 4:00 pm – 11:00 pm to assist with all levels of math, science, social studies, English, foreign languages, ESL, AP, essay and resume review; unlimited sessions. *Beck and Ebeling elementary students needs to log in using their identified button.*

Michigan eLibrary "MeL": Many additional resources are available through this site.

A Virtual Library Card gives students access to digital resources only. Students wishing to upgrade their access to check out print materials and other items should contact the library assigned to their school. Click here for a listing of schools and their assigned libraries.

Naviance

Naviance provides students with college planning and career assessment tools. Previously offered to UCS high school students, the program has expanded this year to include junior high students.

Khan Academy

A personalized learning resource for students of all ages. Offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners to study at their own pace.

College Board

The College Board helps students prepare for a successful transition to college through programs and services in college readiness and college success — including the SAT and the Advanced Placement Program. A student may link their Khan Academy and College Board accounts providing personalized practice based on a student's practice PSAT/SAT results.

Familiar resources are also located here, just on-click away: Dreambox, Discovery ED, Office 365, PowerSchool.