

## WHAT IS SLED?

SLED is Alaska's easy-to-use Website that connects people to library, government, and Internet information sources – including an online library of great full-text articles and reference books just for those who live in Alaska: **The Digital Pipeline**.

<http://sled.alaska.edu>

The websites of many Alaska public, university and school libraries have links to SLED so there are multiple ways of getting there. Use the one you remember best.

SLED was developed by the Alaska State Library and the University of Alaska libraries. Funding has been provided by the federal government, the Institute of Museums and Libraries, the State of Alaska and the Rasmuson Foundation.

### Remember...

- Since SLED connects to other systems to retrieve information, it cannot control the information you access once you leave the site. Parents are reminded to supervise their children's Internet use.
- SLED does not support email, IRC, listservs, or newsgroups due to funding constraints.

## WHAT WILL I FIND ON SLED?

SLED offers a simple subject guide to a selection of informative and fun websites, selected for their potential usefulness and interest for Alaskans.

Grade 4 to intro-level college students can access **Live Homework Help** 7 days a week, from 1 – 9 pm Alaska time.

Content changes constantly as the SLED Advisory Group of librarians and other interested citizens test and evaluate new sites, and drop old ones considered less useful. SLED also hosts **The Digital Pipeline**, online resources only for Alaskans, funded by the State of Alaska.

## SLED SUBJECTS

- **Digital Pipeline:** Complete articles, books & newspapers
- **Alaska's Digital Projects** – historic images, newspapers, documents, oral histories and 3-D objects from libraries, museums and institutions around the state
- **Alaska Communities**
- **Arts, Literature & History**
- **Business & Commerce**
- **Culture & Religion**
- **Daily Living, Recreation & Sports**
- **Education**
- **Environment, Science & Natural Resources**
- **Genealogy**
- **Health, Disabilities & Social Services**
- **Government & Law**
- **Hot Topics**
- **Job & Employment**
- **Kid's Stuff**
- **Library Catalogs & Resources**
- **Live Homework Help**
- **Native & Indigenous Peoples**
- **News & Weather**
- **Reference Desk**
- **Teen Express**
- **Tourist Information**
- **Web Search Tools**

## WHAT IS THE DIGITAL PIPELINE?

The Digital Pipeline (formerly Databases for Alaskans) provides Alaskans with free access to more than 30 proprietary databases.

Find full-text journal articles, newspapers, specialized genealogical materials, complete auto repair manuals, and an online readers' advisor (**NoveList**).

Use the Testing & Education Reference Center to find college or graduate programs and prepare for a host of entrance tests - **GED, GSAT, LCAT, MCAT, ACT, TOEFL, PRAXIS, NCLEX** and more!

<http://sled.alaska.edu/databases/>

## Digital Pipeline Access Codes

If your Internet provider is not based in Alaska, you may be asked for an ID and password. If so, call 1-800-440-2919 at any time.

*Please note:  
The Digital Pipeline project's licensing contracts do not allow the IDs and passwords to be sent in emails, shared on listservs or displayed on Web pages. IP addresses of visiting computers are tracked to ensure these databases are used only by Alaskans. Please do NOT share the access codes outside of Alaska.*

## ALASKA'S DIGITAL ARCHIVES

The Digital Archives is a collaborative project between the Rasmuson Library (University of Alaska Fairbanks), the Consortium Library (University of Alaska Anchorage), and the Alaska State Library in Juneau. The project aims to support the instructional and research needs of Alaskans and others interested in Alaska history and culture. The archive contains over 23,000 items – images, maps, oral histories, documents, film clips, and 3-dimensional objects.

<http://vilda.alaska.edu>

## Create pictorial histories with Learn Alaska!

Teachers and students at all educational levels can use Learn Alaska, a web-based educational tool, developed by the UA Museum of the North to view, sort, and display digital museum objects and historical archive images selected from Alaska's Digital Archives to make online presentations, or tours. Completed tours are easily saved to your desktop, for classroom or small group presentations.

<http://www.learnalaska.org/>

