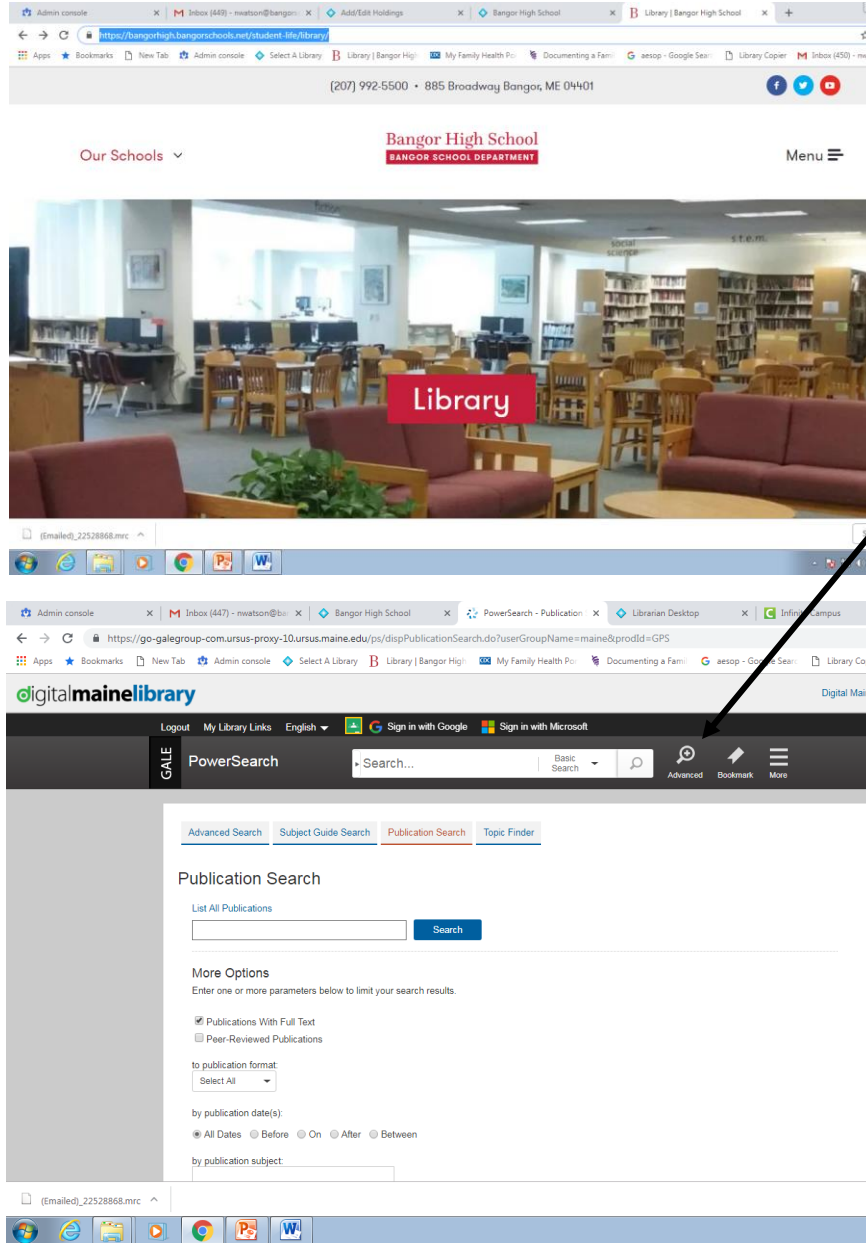


Tips for Searching for Primary & Secondary Sources

Bangor High School Library Page:

<https://bangorhigh.bangorschools.net/student-life/library/>



Gale Power Search in Maine Digital Library

From Library Resources Page:

- Choose [Maine Digital Library](#). At the top of the screen, click on **Advanced Search**. Then, **Gale Power Search**. You may be asked to verify your “Geolocation” if so click yes, “Use My Location.”
- Click **Advanced Search** at the top of your screen a second time.
- Enter search terms. Combine terms if desired by using **limiters or expanders**, “and,” “or,” “not.” or consult **Subjects below each entry** for search term ideas.
- To specific certain dates, choose “after” and use the drop down menus to restrict date ranges.
- Note “Content Types” on right side of results list.
- **Search a specific Journal Title if desired by selecting “Publications” at top. Note available Archives.**
- If you find an article online that requires a fee, use the Publication search feature of Power Search to see if the journal is available in the archive. **Don’t pay money, see us!**

Save to Google Drive Feature adds a full text article to your drive, and creates a Power Search folder for all of your articles – to stay organized!

Primary Source: original materials on which other research is based. Original thinking that reports a discovery, or shares new information.

Secondary Source: Interpretations and evaluations of primary sources.

Tertiary Source: Collection of primary and secondary source information.

Other Related Resources to Search



[Library of Congress](#)

The Library of Congress is the largest library in the world, with millions of books, recordings, photographs, newspapers, maps and manuscripts.

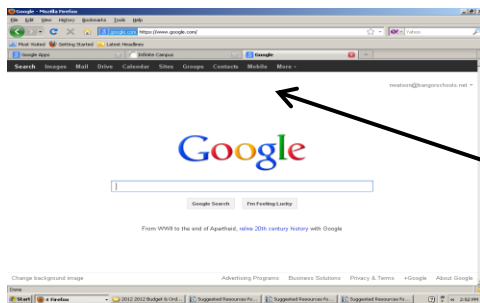
[Library of Congress – American Memory](#)

[News Sources](#)



Search the [Bangor Public Library Catalog](#) for books on your topic. Fill out a slip for an ILL request if you need assistance checking out a book. We also have applications for library cards if you would like one.

Search for articles using Google Scholar



[Google Scholar](#)

Google Scholar is also linked to Maine Digital Library. Choose “A-Z Index” and scroll down to find “Google Scholar.”

General Research Strategies:

- If your search doesn't produce results, revise by checking spelling, widen the search or broaden dates.
- With each search, note what terms produce “Hits.” Scan article abstracts for additional search terminology.
- Look for all necessary library passwords located in the [Library Password Brochure](#) available at the front desk.
- If searching produces an [article that is not available full text through BHS Library links and other search strategies](#), locate the complete citation, **print it out, write your name on it**, and see Ms. Gould, or Ms. Watson for further assistance. We will search our ILL accounts and other sources in an attempt to Inter Library loan the article for you.

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