

Media Literacy Resource List for Educators

Ten FREE Independent Online Media Resources

Corporate-free, alternative points of view from the Action Coalition for Media Education

1. Action Coalition for Media Education (ACME)

www.acmecoalition.org

Sign up for ACME's discussion list and track media-related questions and information.

2. Center for Media and Democracy

www.fact-index.com/c/ce/center_for_media_and_democracy.html

John Stauber and Sheldon Rampton's organization is a vital resource for independent reporting on PR firms that work to influence public opinion on behalf of large corporations and their government allies. Subscribe to their FREE "PR Watch," an online weekly digest of provocative PR-related news.

3. Center for Public Integrity

www.publicintegrity.org/

This non-profit and non-partisan organization has published over 40 studies, reports, and books on public service and ethics-related issues. Recent investigations have focused on issue ads and campaign finance.

4. Democracy Now

www.democracynow.org

Amy Goodman's pioneering style of civic journalism, on the radio, television, and online. "The exception to the rulers."

5. Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting (FAIR)

www.fair.org/

This national media watch group, has been offering well-documented criticism of media bias and censorship since 1986. They work to invigorate the First Amendment by advocating for greater diversity in the press and by scrutinizing media practices that marginalize public interest, minority and dissenting viewpoints.

6. Free Press

www.mediareform.net

Sign up for their daily e-mail digests about media-related news, or their "Free Press activist" list to get the latest breaking news about actions you can take to influence media-related legislation.

7. Mother Jones

www.motherjones.org

An independent nonprofit magazine with a focus on social justice through investigative reporting.

8. New Mexico Media Literacy Project

www.nmmlp.org

Led by Bob McCannon, NMMLP has become the U.S.'s most successful media education organization with a great deal of prepared skill-based curricula on many issues.

9. Tom Paine Website

www.tompaine.com

A weekly progressive Internet newsletter featuring provocative essays on contemporary political and economic life, with a continuing emphasis on journalism and other media's role in shaping our political culture.

10. Media Literacy Clearinghouse

www.medialit.med.sc.edu

A web-based collection of media literacy articles, background and lesson plans for educators.

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