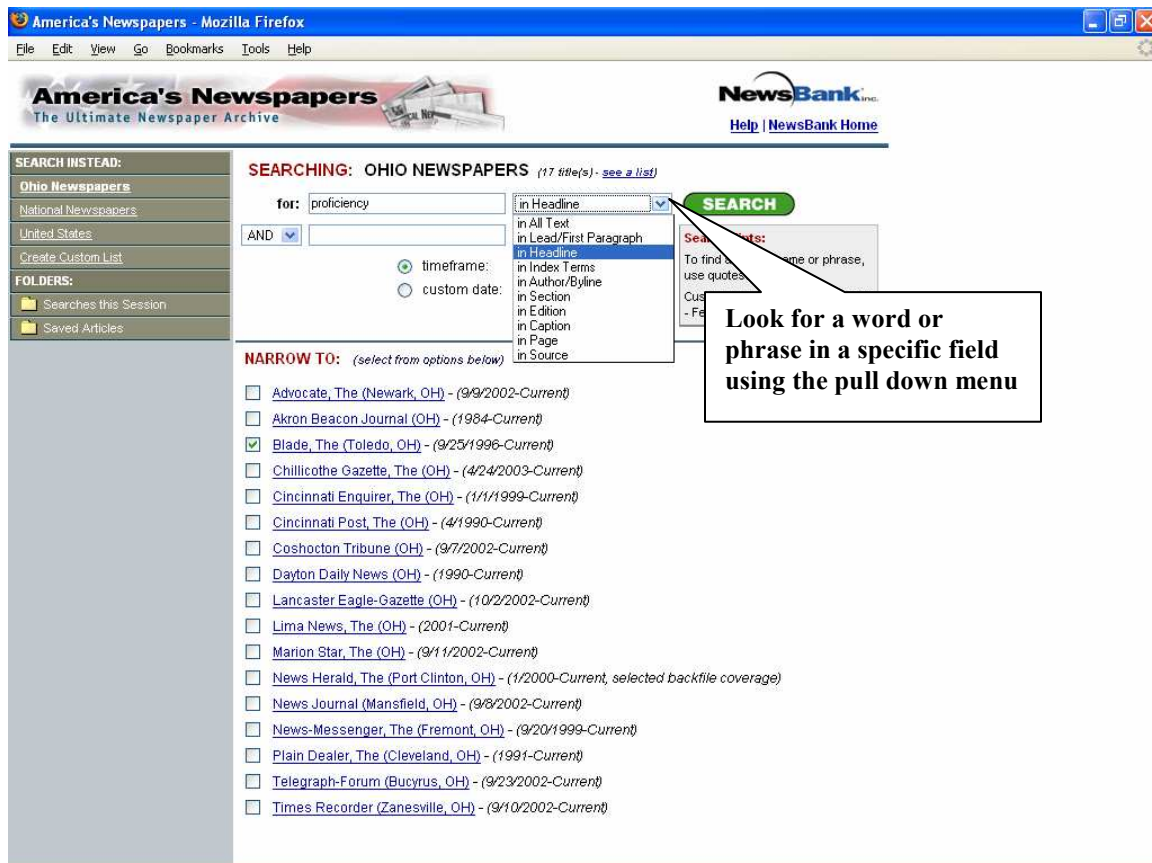


*America's Newspapers* is a database that provides full text articles from 17 Ohio Newspapers as well as newspapers from across the United States.

### Searching:

To search, enter a word or phrase in the search box. In the Advanced Search [shown below] you can limit by field, date, or by newspaper. Click on the **search** button once you have finished entering your word or phrase and selecting any limiters.



**SEARCHING: OHIO NEWSPAPERS** (17 title(s) - see a list)

for: proficiency

SEARCH

**Look for a word or phrase in a specific field using the pull down menu**

**NARROW TO:** (select from options below)

- Advocate, The (Newark, OH) - (9/9/2002-Current)
- Akron Beacon Journal (OH) - (1984-Current)
- Blade, The (Toledo, OH) - (9/25/1996-Current)
- Chillicothe Gazette, The (OH) - (4/24/2003-Current)
- Cincinnati Enquirer, The (OH) - (1/1/1999-Current)
- Cincinnati Post, The (OH) - (4/1990-Current)
- Coshocton Tribune (OH) - (9/7/2002-Current)
- Dayton Daily News (OH) - (1990-Current)
- Lancaster Eagle-Gazette (OH) - (10/2/2002-Current)
- Lima News, The (OH) - (2001-Current)
- Marion Star, The (OH) - (9/1/2002-Current)
- News Herald, The (Port Clinton, OH) - (1/2000-Current, selected backfile coverage)
- News Journal (Mansfield, OH) - (9/8/2002-Current)
- News-Messenger, The (Fremont, OH) - (9/20/1999-Current)
- Plain Dealer, The (Cleveland, OH) - (1991-Current)
- Telegraph-Forum (Bucyrus, OH) - (9/23/2002-Current)
- Times Recorder (Zanesville, OH) - (9/10/2002-Current)

The database will look for occurrences of the word or phrase that you have entered anywhere in the article, in no particular order or proximity. To find an exact phrase, place it within quotation marks (“ ”).

It is also possible to focus your search using words identified by the database as Operators. Some useful operators include:

1. **and**: whenever you enter 3 or more words, the database will automatically insert the “and” operator between each word. The “and” operator **narrows** your search to retrieve only those articles containing all of the words.
2. **or**: placing the “or” operator between words will **broaden** your search, retrieving all articles containing either of the words.
3. **not**: placing the “not” operator before a word will **narrow** your search, excluding any articles containing that word.
4. **adj**: using the “adj” operator between two words will find those two words adjacent to each other in the order you have entered. By adding a number to the “adj” operator, you can retrieve results with the two words separated by a specified number of other words. For example, searching for *Toledo adj2 Museum* will retrieve articles where the words Toledo and Museum are separated by up to 2 other words.
5. **near**: the “near” operator is similar to the “adj” operator – it finds two words next to each other. But unlike the “adj” operator, the “near” operator will retrieve articles where the two words are near each other in any order. It is possible to add a number to the “near” operator, too, following the same process as with the “adj” operator.

### Search Results:

After performing your search, the results are given with the most recent listed first. To view the full text of any of these articles, click on the article title.

The screenshot shows the search results page for "America's Newspapers" in Mozilla Firefox. The search term is "proficiency" and the results are for "OHIO NEWSPAPERS". The page lists three search results, each with a title, date, length, and a "Save this Article" checkbox. A callout box points to the "Save this Article" checkbox with the text "To save articles to a folder, check the box". Another callout box points to the article title of the second result with the text "Article title - click here to view full text".

**SEARCHING: OHIO NEWSPAPERS** (1 title(s) - [see a list](#))

for: proficiency in **in** **Headline** **SEARCH**

AND [ ] in **All Text** **SEARCH Hints:**  
To find an exact name or phrase, use quotes.  
Custom date example: Jan 1, 2000 - Feb 3, 2000.

timeframe: the past twelve months  
custom date: [ ]

basic search | new search

Results: 1 - 3 of 3

**1. Blade, The (Toledo, OH) - February 4, 2005 length: 177 words**  
[TPS to train tutors for proficiency exam](#)  Save this Article  
Toledo Public Schools announced yesterday it will train volunteer tutors for high school students taking the citizenship portion of the state proficiency test during two sessions Monday. Both sessions will take place in the boardroom at the district's Thurgood Marshall Building, 420 East Manhattan Blvd. The first session will begin at noon; the second session will start at 6 p.m., school officials said. Jane A. Bruss, district spokesman, said anyone who is...

**2. Blade, The (Toledo, OH) - September 28, 2004 length: 554 words**  
[OLD WEST END ACADEMY - Teacher leads learners to top All 19 students in her class are 5-for-5 in proficiency tests](#)  Save this Article  
Elizabeth Bethany expects results, and last year, she got them. The Toledo elementary school teacher ran a tight ship and put in long hours, and it paid off! "I've wanted to be a teacher since I was in fifth grade," Ms. Bethany said. "Now that I am, it's so satisfying." Last year all of the 19 pupils in her fourth-grade class at Old West End Academy passed each of their proficiency tests: writing, reading, math, citizenship, and science. "Yes, five..."

**3. Blade, The (Toledo, OH) - June 26, 2004 length: 701 words**  
[Bulk of TPS students ignore free test help - Ohio graduation exam replaces proficiency quiz](#)  Save this Article  
When the state gave Toledo Public Schools \$380,000 to prepare high school students for the Ohio Graduation Test, administrators were eager to help the students get ready. They scheduled Saturday sessions, before and after-school workshops, and summer programs. All were free. But just a handful of students turned out for the programs, school administrators said. "Unfortunately,

Results can be viewed on screen by clicking on the article title. Articles from the result list can also be added to a Saved Articles folder. It is also possible to email results either individually from the full text screen, or in a group from the Saved Articles folder.

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "America's Newspapers: Document Display - Mozilla Firefox". The page header includes "America's Newspapers" and "NewsBank Inc." with a "Help | NewsBank Home" link. A search bar at the top indicates "SEARCHING: OHIO NEWSPAPERS (1 title(s) - see a list)". Below the search bar, there are input fields for "for: proficiency" and "in All Text", a "SEARCH" button, and a "timeframe" dropdown set to "the past twelve months". A "Search Hints" section is also visible.

On the left side, a sidebar contains a "SEARCH IN:" section with a tree view showing "Ohio Newspapers" and "Saved Articles" folders. A callout box points to the "Saved Articles" folder with the text "Open your 'saved' folder".

The main content area displays "Record 1 of 3" and "Back to Results". Below this, there is an "e-mail this article to:" field with the email address "my.email@utoledo.edu" and a "Send" button. A callout box points to the "Send" button with the text "Enter your email address and click 'Send'".

Below the email field, there is a "Save this Article" checkbox. The article title is "TPS to train tutors for proficiency test" from "Blade, The (Toledo, OH)" dated "February 4, 2005". A callout box points to the "Send" button with the text "Enter your email address and click on Send".

The article text includes: "FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2005", "Toledo Public Schools announced yesterday it will train volunteer tutors for high school students taking the citizenship portion of the state proficiency test during two sessions Monday.", "Both sessions will take place in the boardroom at the district's Thurgood Marshall Building, 420 East Manhattan Blvd. The first session will begin at noon; the second session will start at 6 p.m., school officials said.", "Jane A. Bruss, district spokesman, said anyone who is interested in volunteering should attend.", "Edition: City Final", "Section: Second News", "Page: B3", and "Copyright, 2005, The Blade".

A "QUICK LINKS" section is located at the bottom right of the article content, containing links such as "find articles by BLADE", "find more articles from page B3", "find more from section 'Second News'", and "find all articles from February 4, 2005".