

## Enhancing Instruction with MediaCAST

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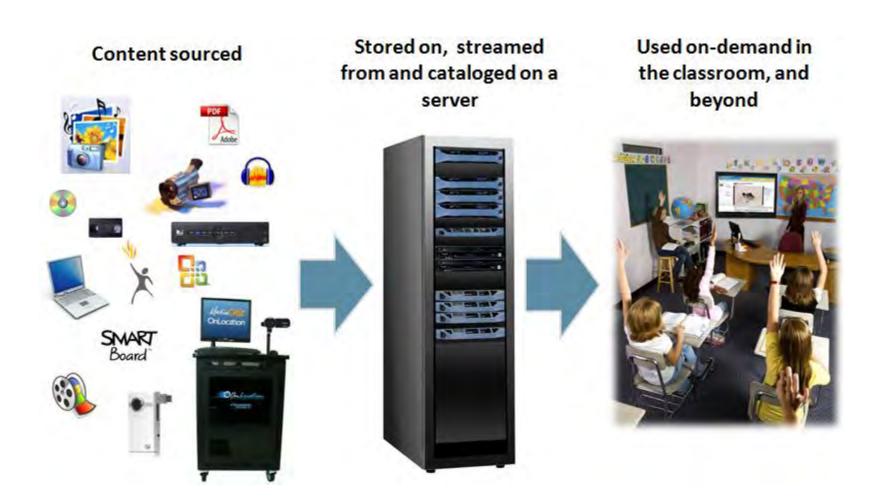
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- Headquartered at the foot of the Rockies in Westminster, CO
- Serving hundreds of K-12 schools and districts since 2002
- Recognized leader in IPbased integrated learning solutions





## What is MediaCAST?





## **MediaCAST in Your Classroom**

- On-Demand media is an added tool for teachers
- Digital TV brings both live and recorded programs to the classroom
- School districts can administer and manage license-protected content





## **Learning Objectives**

Open your browser, navigate to MediaCAST, Login and login Find media to include in your lesson Search planning Preview resources or share resources in the View classroom Reserve, add a favorite, create a segment, Use Tools build a URL, or link to a standard



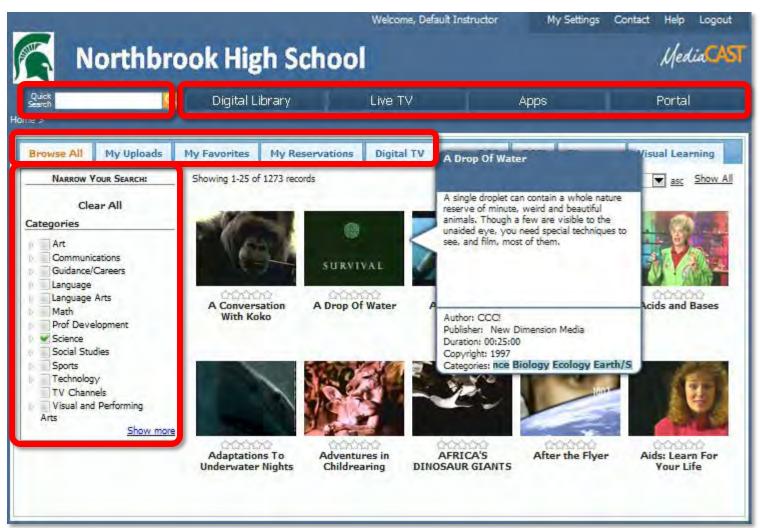
# Login



- Navigate to your MediaCAST login page i.e.: http://mediacast.cpsd.us
- Use your school login for access to MediaCAST



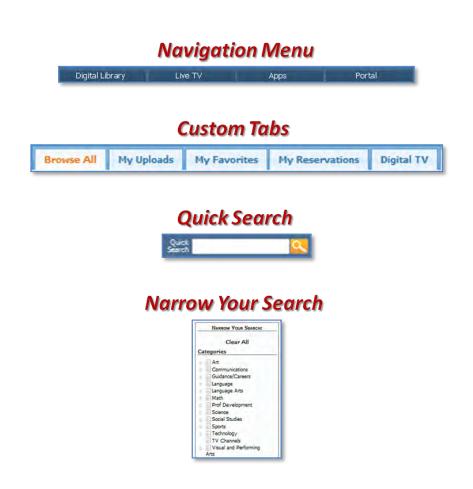
## **Home Page**





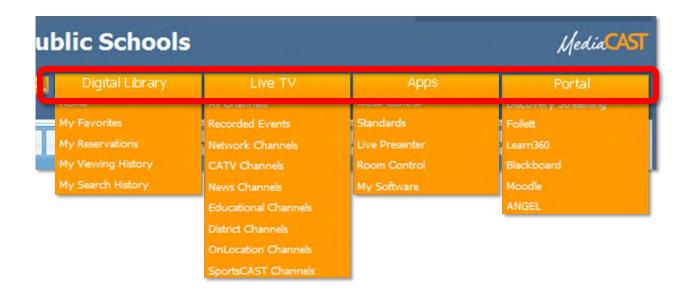
# **Home Page (cont.)**

- Use different tools in your digital library to browse, search and filter:
  - Navigation Menu
  - Custom Tabs
  - Quick Search
  - Narrow Your Search





# **Navigation Menu**



- Main Navigation Menu consists of 4 major dropdown menus
- Header buttons are not active links



## **Custom Tabs**



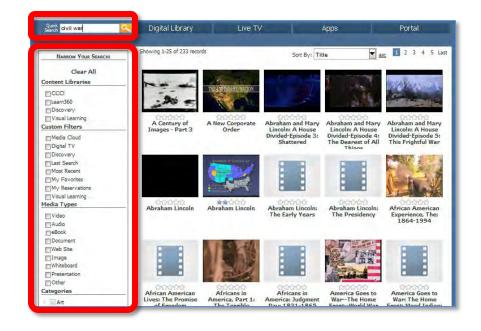
- Use the Custom Tabs to specify your view of resources choose from:
  - My Uploads
  - My Reservations
  - Digital TV

- My Favorites
- Third Party Content



# Searching

- Use Quick Search for a repetitive keyword search
- Narrow Your Search by selecting items in:
  - Content Libraries
  - Custom Filters
  - Media Types
  - Categories
  - Publisher
  - Copyright Year
  - Grade Range





# **Searching (cont.)**

- Check off Categories to narrow your search
- Click on the expanders to view up to three subcategories
- View a resource's details by hovering over thumbnails







## **View Resources**

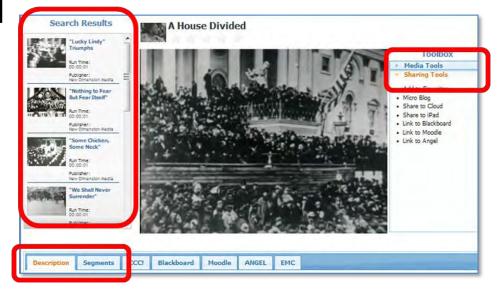
- Click on thumbnails to open the Resource Page
- Streaming media will play automatically in the preview window





## **Resource Page**

- View previous Search Results
- Resource Description and Segments tabs located below preview window
- Media Tools, Sharing
  Tools, and Administrator
  Tools (Manager+) are
  available for each
  resource in the Toolbox





## **Resource Page Toolbox**

# Toolhox Media Tools Snag a Segment URL Builder Captioning Tools Standards Builder Add to this Collection Make a Reservation





- Media Tools:
  - Snag a Segment
  - URL Builder
  - Captioning Tools
  - Standards Builder
  - Add to this Collection
  - Make a Reservation

- Sharing Tools:
  - Add to Favorites
  - Micro Blog
  - Share to Cloud/iPad
  - Link to BB/Moodle/Angel
- Administrator Tools (Manager +):
  - Create Thumbnail
  - Edit Details
  - Deauthorize Resource



## **Favorites**

#### Why?

Allows quick access to frequently used resources

#### Create

From the Toolbox, click *Sharing* Tools > Add to Favorites and add notes



#### Toolbox **Sharing Tools** Add to Favorites Micro Blog · Share to Cloud · Share to iPad · Link to Blackboard · Link to Moodle · Link to Angel

#### View/Edit

- View My Favorites from the Navigation Menu to view/edit Favorite details
- Tabs to view Favorite resource thumbnails





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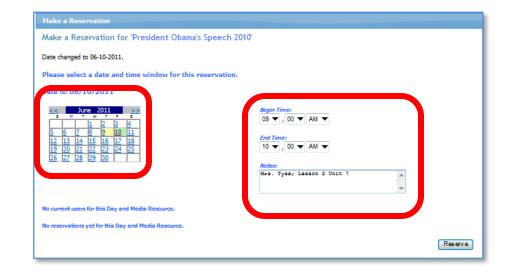
## Reservations

#### Why?

Make a reservation for license protected resources

#### **Create**

- Click Make a Reservation from the Media Tools dropdown menu
- Specify Date, Begin Time, End Time, and add Notes





# Reservations (cont.)

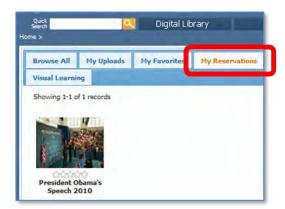
#### View/Edit

- From the Navigation Menu, click on My Reservations to view/edit reservation details
- From the Custom Tabs, click on *My Reservations* to view reserved resource thumbnails











# **Snag a Segment**

#### Why?

Creates a shorter portion of a video that teachers can use in class for better time management

#### **Create**

- In the Toolbox, click Media Tools> Snag a Segment
- Type in Title, Start/End Time, and click Save/Update Changes







# **Snag a Segment (cont.)**

### View/Edit

- Segments can only be viewed from the Resource page
- View your segment from the Segments tab by clicking on the segment name





## **URL Builder**

#### Why?

Make a link and embed it in a lesson plan or website

#### Create

- In the Toolbox, click Media Tools> URL Builder
- Choose from two types:
  - Basic URL Builder
  - Advanced URL Builder
- Use Basic URL Builder and require a login
- Use Advanced URL Builder and input credentials for an auto-login URL

#### **Basic**



**Advanced** 



## **Standards Builder**

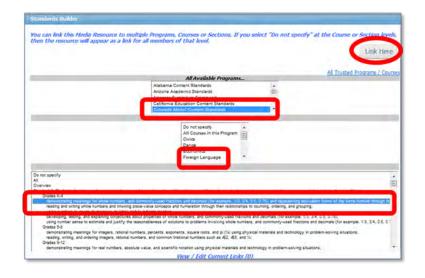
#### Why?

Link resources to state standards

#### **Create**

- From the resource
  Toolbox, click Standards
  Builder, choose your
  state's standards, subject
  matter and desired
  standard
- Click Link Here







# **Standards Builder (cont.)**



#### View/Edit

- View resources linked to standards by clicking Apps> Standards> Staff/Teachers> Colorado Model Content Standards
- Click on the course and then the specific standard to see what resources have been linked to it

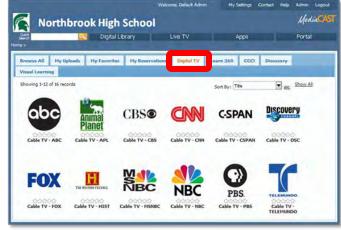


# **Digital TV**

- Users with Student + rights may access Digital TV
- From the Navigation Menu, click on Live TV, and then filter view by type of TV channels
- From the Custom Tabs, click on Digital TV
- Click on a TV channel icon to view live TV programs



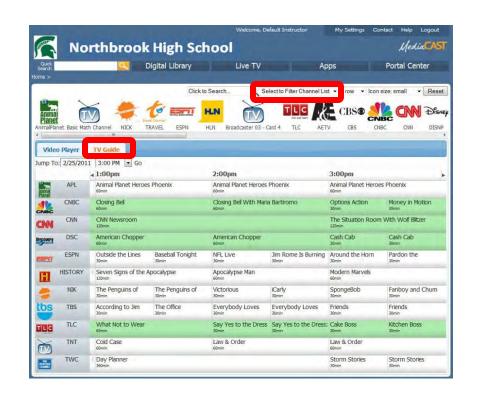






# Digital TV (cont.)

- Use the drop-down located above TV channel icons to filter TV channels
- Click on TV Guide to view scheduled TV programming
- Users with Manager + rights may record TV





# Digital TV (cont.)

- Tune to TV channels by clicking on the desired channel's icon
- Manager + may remotely change the live stream a server broadcasts by using the dropdown menu
- The TV channel's icon will track if the channel has been changed remotely



