

Research Questions

For public libraries:

- How many libraries/branches & locations/hours?
- What are the library's boundaries, and do they match the school's boundaries?
- Can schools get their own library cards? Can all teachers and students get cards?

- Is there a kids department and what ages does it serve?
- Is there a teen department, or is it part of YS or AS?
- Is there an outreach team or someone to contact for a school visit?
- Who works in the library (names/contact info)?

- Does it have large reading programs like summer/winter/100 books before graduation?
- Does it have a TAB or TAG?
- Are there any special collections like robots or book club kits?
- Are there databases that would benefit your students?

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For school districts:

- How many schools are in the district/locations?
- Which grades do the schools serve?
- How many students/teachers are in the district?
- What are the school boundaries, and do they match the public library's boundaries?

- Does each school have a librarian or do schools share librarians?
- Who works in the library (names/contact info)?
- Do students visit the library weekly? Monthly?

- Do schools have a curriculum night, open house, or book fair?
- Do schools have an active PTO/PTA?
- Do schools have online newsletters for parents?

- Are there specific departments/classes/units of study that connect with library resources?
- Are there extracurriculars that connect with library resources?

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Opportunities to Connect

Who do you already know?

**What do you already offer?
(and do they know about it?)**

Where do you already connect?

Who else do you want to meet?

**What else can you offer?
(or what do they want?)**

How else can you connect?

Plan of action:

Analyzing Your Relationship

Network



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Coordinate

Cooperate

Collaborate

Where is your relationship now?

What is your next stage?

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