



Youth Services Committee -- School/Public Library Cooperation Resources  
"Libraries Connect for Kids"

Overall Goal: To improve communication between the libraries and librarians who serve children and youth by creating and promoting a collection of resources that can be used cooperatively by school and public libraries to improve student learning.

Project Objectives:

- To promote cooperation/dialogue between school librarians, public librarians, teachers and administrators.
- To promote and increase use of HRLC resources by school library members, teachers and their students.
- To communicate to public library and school administrators about library resources and services, the value of teacher/librarian cooperation, and ways we can work together to help students succeed.
- To share and recognize successful collaborations.

Identified Strategies:

- Create and distribute resource packets/materials that reflect best practice, such as:
  - Librarian-to-librarian communication forms
  - Librarian-to-teacher communication forms
  - Library project design tips
  - Resource suggestion forms
  - Cooperative planning strategies
  - Marketing resources for school librarians
- Post website that will help public librarians and school librarians customize materials to distribute to schools that reflect salient details of their public libraries, such as:
  - Lists of services to schools including arrangements for visits
  - Reciprocal/bulk/courtesy borrowing policies
  - Contact people, hours, procedures
  - Grade-level reading lists, special collections
  - Sample letters and fliers with customizable content
- Promotional events, announcements, and partnerships to promote the materials.

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