Annual Membership Survey 2017-2018
18 responses

What grade level(s) do you serve?
18 responses

- Elementary: 77.8%
- Middle School: 11.1%
- High School: 11.1%
- K-12: 77.8%

Is your position?
18 responses

- Full-time: 83.3%
- Half-time: 16.7%
- Less than half-time: 0%
How many buildings do you serve?
18 responses

- 88.9%
- 11.1%

Do you have other duties outside of usual library functions?
18 responses

- Yes: 44.4%
- No: 44.4%
- Other contractual duties: 11.1%
- Teaching classes out of your certification: 1.1%

Please list what your other duties and/or teaching assignments.
18 responses

- none (2)
- None (2)
- NA
Exploratory class and an independent study.

Keyboarding, Computer Skills, Enrichment Class

Study halls

Study Hall

Teach a double block of Grade 2 Reading, 7 & 8 grade English, and Freshmen Seminar class.

Reading Groups, Building Leadership Team, monthly Community Assemblies

technology integration support

Study Hall Monitor

I teach 8th grade computer science.

Classes: Technology, Yearbook class, Keyboarding, Makerspace. Media Club Adviser, Yearbook club Adviser, National Honor Society Adviser

Nothing outside of library duties.

I do not have other teaching assignments. I do help with the PBIS committee.

Teach a CDOS course

The SLS staff follows through on problems and inquiries.

18 responses
Do you have concerns or suggestions to improve the SCOOLS Union Catalog, Inter Library Loan and/or SEEK?

18 responses

No (3)

no (2)

I use them all and find that they meet our needs.

N/A

Can we have some kind of notice telling us a book we have requested has not been filled in 48 hours or some other short time frame. Sometimes I am so busy I forget what was requested, until a teacher says did yo get my book. We are notified when they are filled, just a thought.

The ILL emails seem to be coming in a delayed fashion. I usually have already taken care of the ILLs before I receive the email. If they could be sent earlier, it would be beneficial!

Fewer duplicates in the union catalog would be nice.

SCOOLS-It would be easier if all of the records for one title were listed in one place rather than there being multiple hits listed separately even though there are several that are from our BOCES.

SEEK "reverts" each Summer to a undesirable default view, Cheryl usually "adjusts" it upon request; how will that work next September in her absence?

none

Begin of year review of passwords, options, usage of all of the above

None

It would be great to make SEEK more customizable by us as far as choosing our own categories and moving databases into them. Scools has always worked fine for me.

Not at this time

No concerns

Inter-Library Loan, including delivery, through the system office is:

18 responses
Access to digital collections through SEEK is

18 responses

Do you have suggestions or need resources for ELL and Special Need Students?

18 responses

No (4)

I do not have any ELL students at this time

Yes, we serve a small population of ELL students here at Hunter. More e-books for these students to read that are non-fiction. Bilingual book options on Tumble Drive / Overdrive.
no
None at the moment

Yes, sometimes, but they have mostly been met by existing ILL procedures.

none

Additional audio books

Our school is seeing a need for Spanish books.

not at this time

Read along audio books.

Maybe a rotating collection of hi-li books we could opt into.

We have no ELL population at this time and special education students seem to be well served and supplied.

We frequently have special need students who move in (and often out again) of the district at some point during the school year. Some of these students are reading very significantly below grade level, and I know nothing about it until they appear. It would be great to have more high/low resources available through the SLS.

Not at this time.

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**Professional Development - Element 3**

The professional development choices offered through the School Library System are:

18 responses

![Chart showing the relevance of professional development choices](chart.png)
I would like to see the following topics or workshops addressed through professional development next year:

18 responses

I always find workshops on new books helpful for making purchases.

Donnalynn Miller

Copyright, Where we are moving as librarians? Computer Skills to updated in technology and a resource to our district.

n/a

I would love it if we had the opportunity to work with the makerspace/coding/programming components available through SNAP. It would give an opportunity to begin learning how to use them and to continue thinking about how to incorporate them into lessons.

Best books for YA.

I appreciate any help that we get from these workshops. However, due to my other obligations at school, I cannot always commit to attending. I have been happy with the choices.

Best practices in our libraries

ALA Standards, Twitter PLN, Book Reviews for Elementary, Project Based Learning, Short Inquiry Projects

More of what we had this year. We

A workshop regarding technology is always needed by me.

"fake news" and at least one "new books" presenter -

Reading promotion is always good.

Makerspace and STEAM related hands on activities. How to market your library.

Video editing, collection development on targeted areas and relating to specific school-driven needs (eg: book buddy programs, poetry, book vs. print resource depth for projects like country research) supporting research process...especially in terms of ethical use, paraphrasing, grade-appropriate expectations and examples of student work. Grants.

Another children's literature focus and maybe one on YA.

I would like a workshop on YA literature, and specifically concerning graphic novels-- that could certainly be K-12.

Coding, transforming school culture
I would be willing to present a workshop on the following topic(s) to my colleagues (Please include your name and time needed):

6 responses

If needed, I could do a presentation on storytelling, service learning or Battle of the Books and could adjust the length of time according to need. (Maria Johnson)

Lit circles or National History Day opportunities for research

Breakout Edu

None at the moment

n/a

Video conferencing equipment and opportunities. Audrey Maldonado. 45 minutes? Using app sheets to make prototype apps.

Offer suggestions to better mentor new school librarians or school librarians new to a district:

18 responses

Encourage them to visit other libraries!

Reach out to superintendents to share the value of a school library visit or two during the school day.

Set up a texting tree. If they have an issue they can always text another librarian for help!

none at this time

No suggestions at the moment

This is difficult due to physical distances.

Pairing them up with a veteran librarian in a nearby district that they can go to with questions/problems. Otherwise, posting questions on the listserv is always a great option with wonderful librarians that are always
willing to help.

A more-than-adequate replacement for Cheryl *needs* to be hired to help those who are new and those who relied on her for annual assistance.

Follow mentors on social media and create a Twitter PLN Creation to learn best practices.

Didn't receive mentoring so have no comments.

Pairing of librarians to assist with the daily tasks and other responsibilities.

Boot Camp day(s) with Eileen - where they learn about OPALS, Seek, Overdrive, media library, etc. Pairing the new librarian with an established one.

Mentors visit new librarians?

I think our email listserv could be more active with people sharing ideas and lessons.

I'd love to see more communication via Facebook or a forum platform like slack.

Since there will be a new but experienced librarian at Edmeston, I would think that reaching out and visiting the first week or during the conference days would be helpful.

My experience has been both positive and negative. I mentored one teacher working as a school librarian and she was enthusiastic and receptive. Another, who succeeded her at the same school, was markedly uninterested. One would hope it would not be necessary to offer any kind of incentive beyond help in doing a good job, but unless this was a unique situation perhaps incentives would be in order.

Establish a basic boot camp training that introduces all services to the newbies.

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Coordinated Services - Element 5

The service I receive through the Automation Coser (OPALS) is:

18 responses
Which months would be the best time for free trials to online databases:
18 responses

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Would your district be interested in digitization of library documents or yearbooks in the future?
18 responses

- Yes: 72.2%
- No: 22.2%
- Maybe: 0%
Professional Book Collection - Are there topics you would like to see in the professional book collection? Would you read professional books in eBook format?

18 responses

Advocacy and Awareness - Element 6

Have you taken advantage of the the associate NYLA membership that the SLS has funded?

18 responses
The SLS office has kept me aware of advocacy events and ideas during the past school year:
18 responses

The SLS office has kept me aware of regional, state and national conferences:
18 responses

Communication - Element 7
What changes can be made to the SLS Website to help our school librarians?
12 responses

Simplify all of the hidden/drop down menus.
None I know of.

Can we have the IFC Digitally available to us?
No suggestions at the moment

Get the page done and stick with one site for a few years.
None

I don't use the website for information. Only the listserv.

I don't use the website very much so I'm not sure how to answer this. I think the most negative thing about the website is where it is located - it seems "hidden" - but I don't know what the SLS could do about that - seems out of their control.

It's been a busy year, I haven't used it much, but I've always been able to find what I need somehow.

Not sure.

It simply is hard to find and get to. Reviewing orders and other items, hard to find. Face book is blocked at ECS.

BOCES could bury them under less layers of access on their website.

Have you seen the SLS Facebook page?
18 responses

55.6% Yes
44.4% No
The information posted on the listserv is:
18 responses

Cooperative Efforts with Other Libraries - Element 8

Please suggest ways to cooperate with other libraries. Are there initiatives that you are interested in:
18 responses

- I would like to visit other school libraries.
- Visiting other libraries at meetings.
- Family Literacy Events with local libraries. Helps to promote reading and a collaboration.
- none at this time
- No suggestions at the moment
- Sharing best practices is always interesting.
- Due to my schedule, I am not sure I would have the time to take part.
- Can we PLEASE have liaison meetings in each other's libraries? Visiting in person is invaluable!
- I like the round table - open discussion part of each meeting. It's a great way to network with each other. What about taking a bus to Advocacy Day in February.
Thank you for everything!

Sharing experiences that are successful in our own libraries.

Continue to have presentations by our excellent librarians.

I would like to do a workshop at the Baseball Hall of Fame and Library again - that was very interesting. It would also be interesting to partner the school libraries with their public town libraries more, though I'm not sure what that would look like. How about a bus trip to NYPL like Cooperstown HS has done with their students?

I'm not sure.

I really enjoy and find useful the opportunity to visit other school libraries in our BOCES. Thank you for organizing some of our meetings this way.

Not sure.

Possibly author visits.

Now that facebook is no longer blocked (!) at my school, I hope to visit the sls page more often and share positive things from my library. I love seeing what is going on in other places.

Some libraries don't pay attention to ILL requests or request through the system–it would be helpful to address this.

Thank you for taking time to complete the survey. Your feedback is important to the SLS staff.