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Hennepin County Library and Hopkins Public Schools join forces



Brief Overview of the next 60 minutes:

We will:

- Talk about learning in the classrooms today
- Talk about our partnership
- Talk about the challenges and decisions
- Open it up for questions

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Homework Help at Hopkins Library

In May, when attendance usually goes down, it actually went up. Students were from HPS. Increased twice again this school year.

Students who did not otherwise have a space where they could go other than home or stay at school have a new trusted place in the community.

Afterschool Today



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All junior high students have the opportunity to visit the library in a weekly afterschool activity.

ConnectED Library Challenge

At the moment that we persuade a child,
any child to cross that magic threshold into a library,
we change their lives forever, for the better.

– President Barack Obama

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ConnectED initiative. June 2013.

- Announced June 2013
- Emphasizes individual learning and rich, digital content
- Connectivity and Access

ConnectED Library Challenge. 2015.

Hennepin County Library

Our mission is to nourish minds, transform lives
and build community together.

We envision a Hennepin County where
library services ensure every person has
the opportunity and resources to
read, graduate, engage, work and learn.

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HCL

1. Hennepin County has 1.2 million residents, 45 cities and 22 independent school districts
2. HC is 611 miles and includes dense urban, suburban and rural communities
3. We have 41 locations and 64% of residents have an active library card.
4. HCL has an advisory Library Board (11 members) appointed by the seven member elected County Board.
5. HCL is a department within HC

Hopkins Public Schools

Hopkins Public Schools serves the community by welcoming all learners, honoring culture, and inspiring remarkable growth and achievement.

Pathway 1: Innovate

Pathway 2: Bridge

Pathway 3: Partner

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1. HPS is to the west of Minneapolis in the center of Hennepin County
2. Most of our schools are in the city of Minnetonka, we serve 7 cities in the western suburbs.
3. HPS serves 7,369 students in grades K-12. 41% SOC, 38% FRL, 11% ELL, 46 different home languages spoken
4. 6 elementary (K-6), 2 Junior High (7-9), one High School (10-12).
5. Each HPS school has a full time media specialist. Hopkins has always had a strong Library-Media Program.

Getting Started

The ConnectED Library Challenge calls upon library directors to work with their elected officials, school leaders, and school librarians to create or strengthen partnerships.

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Saying yes all along. The partnership has been a priority at the highest levels of both organizations. The School Board, the Library Board, and the County Board have been supportive from the beginning.

Getting Started

What could this look like five years from now?

What does it mean to each of us
to support lifelong learning?

What does it take for us to get there?

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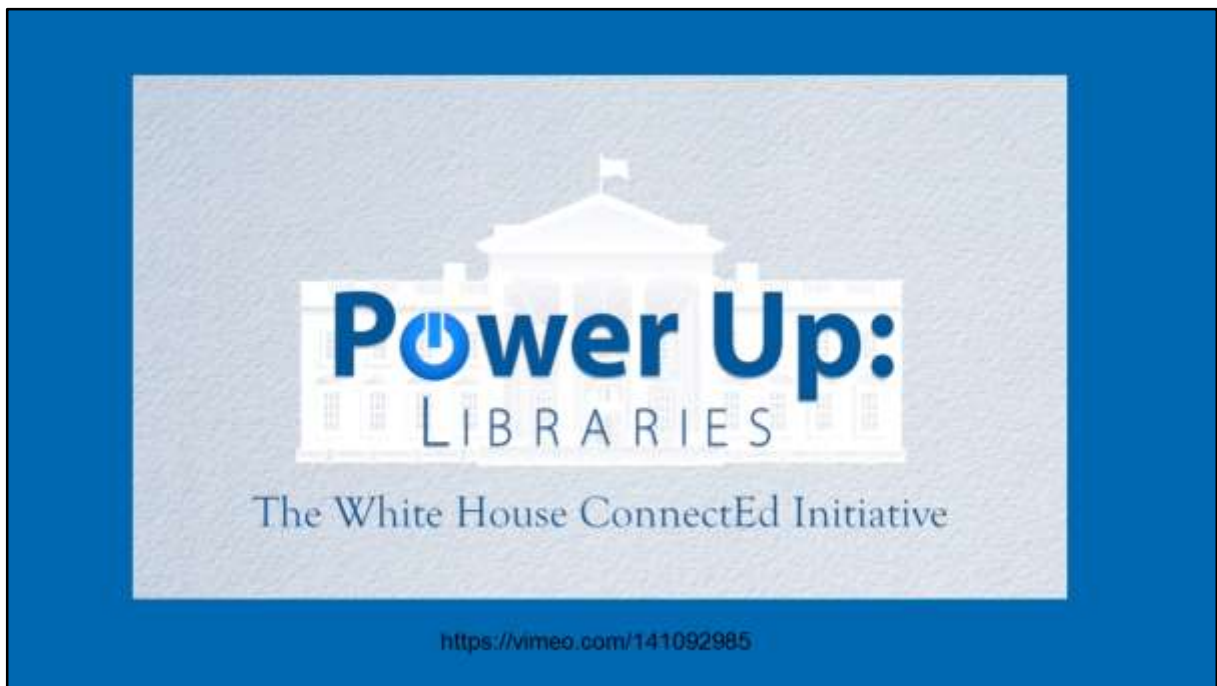
Day 1 was about years four and five.

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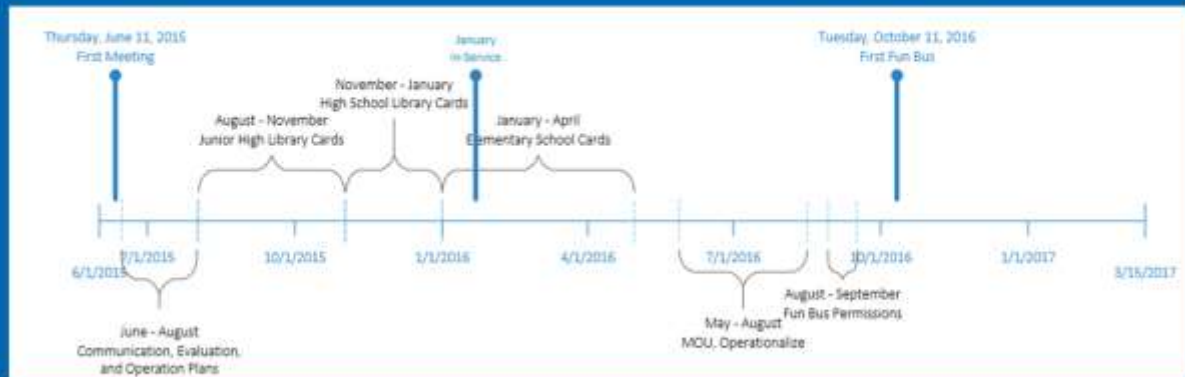
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Year one was to issue library cards to all students and operationalize the provision of those accounts.



HPS promotional video

Timeline



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Timeline in a nutshell

Challenge: Rethinking tradition



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Library cards is what we do – how do we organize ourselves differently?

Challenge: 100%

Every student enrolled in the district
has a library card that they can access each day

Every teacher is aware of HCL resources
and how they can use them in the classroom

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Reaching 100% of the students is critical.

Challenge: Rolling out the cards



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The first 85% of students are easy to distribute to, the second 15% require more follow up.

Lessons Learned

Involve elected, executive, and senior leadership early and often

Be prepared to be flexible

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Executive leadership commitment makes a difference, as does administrative

- Take a moment to imagine what it means when all college freshmen are comfortable and familiar with public library systems, because it was integrated into their k-12 lives.

Be prepared to be flexible

- Rethink the rules, the traditions, the roadblocks
- Distribution is likely to look different for each grade band

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every kid will walk away knowing that there is
support for their learning and exploration.

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Whether you are in school or out of school, there is support for your learning and exploration. Every kid will walk away knowing that.

Questions?

one more additional resource...

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QUESTIONS??

For further information, the MDE has a handout and offering support to districts and libraries in getting started