

Community Sharing

Connecting Public Library
Digital Collections with Schools



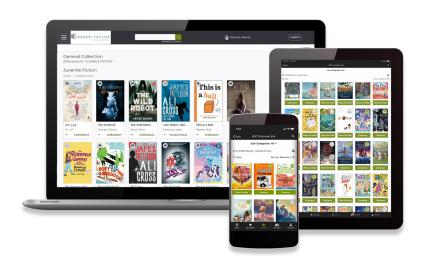


Community Share is a program designed to create a resource bridge from the public library into K-12 schools, greatly expanding student access to age- and grade-appropriate digital content. Students discover and borrow public library materials from their school's online catalog using just their student ID. A single search returns all content provided by their school and the content shared from the local library in just one click. Community Share leads to an uptick in community readership, easy integration of classroom materials, and increased public library collections for children and teens.

Good Things Happen When Public and School Libraries Work Together

Opening your digital collection to students at area schools optimizes your investment in digital content and benefits the entire community. With our cloud-based solution, sharing is seamless and easy. Schools control which content they want their students to see. Students gain access to more reading material and start on the path to being lifelong library patrons. And public libraries enjoy increased circulation for their children's, teen and educational content.

AXIS 360 ALLOWS FOR MORE BREADTH AND DEPTH OF CONTENT THAN EVER BEFORE.





The Benefits of Partnership

Community Sharing at Work

Baker & Taylor has long been known for its focus on supporting communities through literacy. Our trusted name, solid history, industry expertise, and respect for publisher market-specific licensing rules qualifies us to unite your community's stakeholders.

"Community Share strengthens the relationship between schools and the public library in the community because students and parents can see the wide variety of resources that the public library provides free of charge."

Director of Libraries & Instructional Materials, Pasadena Independent School District

WHAT'S IN IT FOR THE LIBRARY?

Public libraries offering Community Share to local schools:

- Deliver digital collections directly to students at school on the devices they use for everyday learning.
- Add children's and teen titles to the existing reading material available to students.
- Provide more reading and learning options to students outside of school to inspire lifelong library engagement.
- Expand their active user base by involving students (and parents) in additional library programs and services.
- Enhance and foster collection development cooperation between schools and the library.

WHAT'S IN IT FOR SCHOOLS?

Schools involved in Community Share initiatives with their local public library:

- Access a wealth of new digital content for both students and teachers to enjoy.
- Quickly scope collections so that only age- and gradeappropriate content is available to students.
- Use existing student logins to access the eBooks and eAudiobooks shared from the public library.
- Improve existing extracurricular initiatives already in place for students, such as after-school literacy programs.
- Create a more robust learning environment for all students.
- Integrate the resources provided by the public library into their online catalog, with added benefits for schools that use the Follett Destiny platform.



A Champion for the Community

Baker & Taylor promotes strong relationships between public service and educational institutions to benefit the entire community. And, Community Share is now fully integrated with Follett Destiny, the leading school ILS, so that public library content is seamlessly merged in search results accessible via Destiny, with added indicators to reflect the content provided by the local library. Students only need to perform one search to find age and grade-appropriate content from both the school and the library with this integration. And in their Axis 360 usage reporting, public libraries can see how schools use their content, right down to the building level.

Advocate for Reading

Community Sharing for Your Neighborhood

Integrating Axis 360's Community Sharing into your system is simple. Baker & Taylor maintains an ongoing partnership with Follett School Solutions, the leader in supplying content, services and technology solutions to educators, so we are expertly positioned to bring public libraries and schools together. Baker & Taylor will be with you the whole way, from involving your public libraries and bridging the connection among area schools to setup and training on how to use the program.



