

**New York Public Library Responses to Youth, Education and Libraries  
November 2020 Committee Inquiries**

- **Does NYPL have demographic statistics on Brainfuse (online tutoring service) usage?**
  - Yes. Usage is distributed relatively evenly across our neighborhoods of service. But a few standouts include:
    - Patrons of the Woodstock branch in the South Bronx, which account for 14 percent of overall usage
    - Patrons of the Richmondtown branch on Staten Island, which account for 7 percent of overall usage
    - Patrons of the Yorkville branch in the Upper East Side, which account for 5 percent of overall usage
    - Patrons of the Pelham Parkway-Van Nest branch in the Bronx, which account for 5 percent of overall usage
  
- **Who does NYPL primarily partner with for its digital collections and databases? Does NYPL partner with Google at all?**
  - NYPL partners primarily with private vendors and supplementally with some non-profit and academic vendors for its digital collections databases. Private vendors include companies such as EBSCO, ProQuest, and Readex while others include Jstor.
  - NYPL is also part of the Manhattan Research Library Initiative (MarLI), a joint borrowing program between the New York Public Library, NYU, and Columbia, which serves as a means to expand access to our research collections to better serve our researchers.
  - NYPL is also part of the Center for Research Libraries, a consortium that provides opportunities for group licensing.
  - Google does not own databases.
  
- **Does NYPL have statistics on patron engagement with online programming within CB7?**
  - Yes, the information is split up by branch.
  
- **Bloomingdale Basement Project**
  - My understanding is that the basement currently houses a facilities shop, as well as locker rooms and storerooms. While we are certainly interested in this project, it, unfortunately, is not a priority right now given current funding constraints. I will continue to check with our capital team about the potential for taking this on periodically.
  
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- **Bookmobile deployment**
  - My team and I are still looking into this and making the case for deployment. As of right now though, the primary challenge is that the bookmobiles are quite small, but need two people for operation. This presents challenges for safe physical distancing.