



The Association of Illinois School Library Educators ([AISLE](#)) is the advocacy organization specifically oriented to school libraries. I think one way our new advocacy committee can be helpful is to better understand the needs of school libraries in Illinois and speak on their behalf.

Since RAILS serves libraries of all types, we have a special opportunity and even responsibility to advocate for all types of libraries. The benefits we bring to Illinois residents and library users, because we support libraries working together and sharing resources, demonstrates the importance of library systems. Basically, we all serve the same users just in different ways and at different times in their lives.