Through the Regional Educational Laboratory (REL) program, researchers and practitioners from school districts, state education agencies, and other organizations have formed **95 collaborative research partnerships** across the country to use data and research to improve academic outcomes for students.

Our 10 RELs support collaborative research partnerships by:

- **Addressing** partnerships’ research questions through applied studies.
- **Expanding** stakeholder understanding of research and its implications for policy and practice.
- **Facilitating** workshops, trainings, and coaching sessions for stakeholders on how to use data and research.
- **Providing** technical support such as survey, interview, or observation protocol development; literature reviews; and tool development.
- **Reviewing** studies and interventions to determine the level of evidence to support Every Student Succeeds Act implementation.
- **Crafting** annotated bibliographies that address stakeholder questions through the Ask A REL service.

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Across the 10 RELs, our collaborative research partnerships:

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Address educational challenges faced by students in our region, who include:

- English learners
- Native American students
- African American students
- Hispanic students
- Students from low-income households
- Students with disabilities
- Students in rural settings
- Students in urban settings

And focus on the following education topic area(s):

- Science, Technology, Engineering, Math
- Literacy
- School Climate/Social and Emotional Learning/Discipline
- Virtual Learning
- Professional Development and Teacher Preparation/Educator Pipeline
- Charter Schools
- Low-Performing Schools
- Early Learning
- High School Completion/Dropout Prevention
- Equity/Achievement Gap
- Family Engagement
- School Leadership
- Career Readiness/Workforce
- College Readiness/Postsecondary

To learn more about the REL program and our partnerships, visit our website: [https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/](https://ies.ed.gov/ncee/edlabs/)