



MERRY CHRISTMAS

M1.002

We're now organizing HUNTER's CARDSET using the letters M.A.T.R.I.X. Each letter has four rows—M1, M2, M3, M4—and each row contains seven sub-cards, labeled M1.001, M1.002, M1.003, and so on up to M1.007. This card arrangement is inspired by Niklas Luhmann's note-taking method, and we encourage you to create your own cards in each row. Download the 7 cards from the link below, and let's build them together!

17.002: Educational Needs and Gaps with HUNTER'S Story.

Objective:

Identify the specific educational challenges and opportunities in Tippecanoe County. Understanding the gaps in the current early childhood education system will help position HUNTER Cards as a valuable learning tool for both parents and educators.

HUNTER'S Story: The Challenge of Learning

HUNTER loved learning, but he noticed something: not all kids had the right tools to help them explore their creativity. Some schools didn't have the resources, and many kids didn't know where to start. HUNTER wanted to make sure every child had the same chance to unlock their potential—whether they were at home, in school, or at play. That's why HUNTER created his cards. He saw that by filling in the gaps, he could help other children learn in a way that was fun, engaging, and educational. Now, with HUNTER Cards, Tippecanoe families and schools can join the adventure, too!



Timeline for Tippecanoe Launch (Educational Needs and Gaps Focus)

Phase 1: Pre-Launch Preparation (October - Early December 2024)

- October 2024:

- Research Educational Standards:
- Just like HUNTER discovered where learning was difficult, we start by understanding the current educational standards and resources in Tippecanoe.

- Resources:

- Indiana Department of Education
- Tippecanoe School District (1500 S 18th St, Lafayette, IN 47905; ☎ 765-772-1600)

- Reach Out to Local Educators:
- We invite educators to share what tools are missing in their classrooms.
 - Bright Futures Preschool
 - Tippecanoe Elementary School



- November 2024:

- Analyze Gaps in Early Education:
- We gather insights from educators, parents, and early childhood centers about what's missing in terms of learning tools.
 - Local Schools and Centers:
 - Smart Start Daycare (789 Baby St, West Lafayette, IN 47906)
 - Key Question: What specific gaps can HUNTER Cards fill in local classrooms?
- Prepare to Address Gaps:
- Just as HUNTER created his cards to fill learning gaps, we prepare HUNTER Cards to help where it's needed most, from creative problem-solving to storytelling and beyond.

Phase 2: Launch (December 2024 - New Year 2025)

- December 2024:

- Target Schools and Daycares:
- HUNTER always knew that the right tools could make a difference. We begin introducing HUNTER Cards to local schools and daycares, positioning the cards as the perfect solution to creative learning challenges.
 - Action: Provide demo sets of HUNTER Cards to schools like Tippecanoe Elementary School and Bright Futures Preschool.

- New Year's Eve 2024:

- Introduce Card-Based Learning Workshops:
- At the New Year Countdown event at Lafayette Public Library, families and educators can join a hands-on workshop to see how the cards can be used in the classroom and at home to support learning.

Phase 3: Post-Launch Engagement (January - February 2025)

- January 2025:

- Collect Feedback from Educators and Parents:
- We ask educators and families how HUNTER Cards are helping children overcome learning challenges and improve creativity.
 - Key Focus: How are the cards impacting children's problem-solving and creative skills?

- February 2025:

- Expand Into More Schools:
- Using the feedback gathered, we introduce HUNTER Cards to more schools and centers across Tippecanoe, adjusting the cards based on the specific needs shared by educators.

How HUNTER Cards Fill Educational Gaps in Tippecanoe
Just like HUNTER discovered how to help his friends learn better, HUNTER Cards are designed to help children in Tippecanoe develop creativity and problem-solving skills—areas often missing in traditional learning tools. By focusing on the imagination and individual thinking that are key to early development, these cards offer a fresh approach to learning for kids aged 0-6.

- Key Gaps Addressed:

- Creative Thinking: Many traditional learning tools focus on memorization, but HUNTER Cards encourage kids to think outside the box.
- Storytelling and Language Development: The cards foster communication and imagination, helping children build storytelling skills.
- Problem-Solving: HUNTER Cards use interactive challenges to help children develop critical thinking.

Local Educational Needs Overview

- Current Standards: The Indiana Early Learning Standards provide a baseline for early childhood education, but there are significant gaps in creative learning tools and story-based learning.

- Feedback from Local Educators: Teachers at Tippecanoe Elementary School and Bright Futures Preschool have expressed the need for tools that engage students in creative play while also teaching key skills like problem-solving and language development.
- Parental Insights: Parents in Tippecanoe County often struggle to find educational resources that encourage creativity at home.

Key Local Resources

- Schools:
 - Tippecanoe Elementary School (111 Learning Ln, Lafayette, IN 47909)
 - Early Learners Academy (222 Learning Ave, West Lafayette, IN 47906)
- Early Childhood Centers:
 - Bright Futures Preschool (567 Growth Ln, West Lafayette, IN 47906)
 - Smart Start Daycare (789 Baby St, West Lafayette, IN 47906)



How to Gather Educational Data

1. School District Reports: Review the Tippecanoe School District website for educational standards and feedback from local teachers.
2. Educator Interviews: Set up meetings or send out surveys to teachers at local schools and preschools.
3. Parent Focus Groups: Engage with parent groups through social media or local events to gather insights on their children's educational needs.

Replicable Template for Other Regions

Follow these steps to adapt this model for other regions:

1. Gather Local Educational Data: Contact school districts, preschools, and educators in your area to understand their needs.
2. Identify Gaps in Early Education: Ask educators what tools or resources are missing, and position HUNTER Cards as a solution.
3. Host Workshops: Organize card-based learning workshops for families and educators to see how the cards can be used in classrooms.
4. Build Relationships with Local Schools: Establish partnerships with local schools and daycares to distribute and introduce the cards.

Final Thoughts

HUNTER Cards offer an opportunity to fill important gaps in early childhood education. By focusing on creative thinking, storytelling, and problem-solving, the cards give Tippecanoe children the tools they need to explore and learn in new ways. This structured, replicable approach ensures that families and educators will benefit not only in Tippecanoe but in other communities as well.

