



Book Drive

February 1-28



Dear Families:

In honor of "I Love to Read" month, we are conducting a book drive to collect new or gently used children's books to benefit the programs of Reach Out and Read, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting early literacy.

Families are invited to bring new or gently used books to any of our New Horizon Academy locations. The books will be delivered to local hospitals and clinics.

Your support helps ensure school readiness and positive outcomes for children. With your cooperation, we can spread the joy of reading and nurture a nation of readers.

Donations will be accepted at New Horizon Academy schools February 1 through February 28. Thank you in advance for your generous donations!



Reach Out and Read is a nonprofit organization that promotes early literacy and school readiness in pediatric exam rooms nationwide by giving new books to children and advice to parents about the importance of reading aloud. Reach Out and Read serves more than four million children and their families annually.



Guidelines for Books

- ♥ Reach Out and Read's focus is on children between the ages of 6 months and 5 years, although books for older children may be accepted, depending on the needs of individual programs.
- ♥ Hardcover picture books with brightly colored pictures and interesting stories are ideal.
- ♥ Donated books should be developmentally appropriate and culturally appropriate. Books about sensitive issues or books which include any reference to religious worship or instruction cannot be accepted.
- ♥ Used books must be "gently-used" (covers and pages intact, clean, and readable).



Note: Reach Out and Read only distributes new children's books in the exam room during regular pediatric checkups, but used books are often used in the waiting room, given away to children who come for a sick visit, or given to siblings who do not have an appointment that day, but would like a book to take home as well.