



The Ben Carson Reading Project

What is the Ben Carson Reading Project?

The Ben Carson Reading Project provides funding for schools to create a literacy-enriched environment for children to develop their reading skills. This cozy, nurturing setting promotes the importance of everyday leisure reading. The Ben Carson Reading Project is designed to provide students with over 500 books from a variety of authors, genres and topics. Reading rooms are bright and inviting. Every reading room is decorated with colorful artwork reinforcing Dr. Carson's THINK BIG philosophy of academic achievement and dedication to helping others.

What is the difference between a Ben Carson Reading Room and a library?

While many students have the opportunity to visit the school library, most of the time spent in the library is devoted to curriculum instruction, researching a subject, or checking books out to read at home. The Ben Carson Reading Project allows schools the opportunity to purchase high-interest reading materials for students to read in the Reading Room. Although the books cannot be removed from the Reading Room, students have the freedom to select their own books. When students choose what they read, they read more.

How can you participate?

Broadview families can participate in a couple of ways. 1. We need **volunteers** that can help build bookcases and an indoor treehouse. (For additional information, see Mrs. Schultz.) 2. We need **books**. We are required to have a minimum of 500 books in our Reading Room. To have appropriate grade level material and avoid duplicate copies of books off of a book list, we are asking that you allow us to order books for the Reading Room. If you would like to donate a hardcover book, we are asking that you complete the form below and return it to your child's teacher or bring it to the library. We would like to invest in hardcover books as much as possible because the paperback books will not endure the daily wear and tear for years to come. (For additional information, or to select a particular book, see Mrs. Davis.)

We are excited to share this wonderful opportunity with our students and community!!

(Cut and return to school)

Parent/Guardian name /Contact number

Child's name/Teacher

I would like to donate _____ book(s) to the Broadview Ben Carson Reading Room. Hardcover donation is \$20 per book. Please make checks payable to **Broadview School**.

I do not want a label inside the book.

I would like the inside label to read: "This book was donated to the Broadview Reading Room by: _____"