

STUFF-A-BUS: Book Drive Edition



The bus is coming back to the front of ACS for another special service opportunity for our students!

In celebration of March Is Reading Month, the PTO is organizing a book drive to collect gently used books for children in our community. The books are distributed through a program Mrs. Alphenaar heads up as an officer with the Grand Rapids Police Department Volunteer Unit.

When:

7:45am-3:15pm	Wed, March 17
7:45am-3:15pm	Thurs, March 18
7:45am-9:00am	Fri, March 19

Where:

The bus will be at the front of school during these times. Students can enter the front of the bus, drop off the books, and exit through the back of the bus.

What:

We're welcoming all gently used (or new) books for children from birth through 8th grade. Board books, picture books, easy reader books, beginning chapter books, middle grade books, graphic novels, non-fiction... we'd love them all! Books featuring people of color or in Spanish are especially desired.

"Hello, my name is Mrs. Alphenaar and in addition to being an instructional aide at ACS, I am also an officer with the Grand Rapids Police Department Volunteer Unit. My job involves performing many tasks needed to keep the citizens of Grand Rapids safe. Last year when COVID-19 closed schools and libraries, I began to collect/purchase books to hand out to children in the city. This has been a great way for us as officers to connect with children living in Grand Rapids and to promote the importance of reading. In keeping with the March Reading Month theme, the PTO of ACS graciously approached me with the idea to create a partnership with this important police program. Please help us fill a bus with as many lightly used books as possible to distribute to the children in the city of Grand Rapids."

