



## WHITTIER SCHOOL BIRTHDAY BOOKS

Dear Whittier Parents and Guardians,

You are invited to share in Whittier's Birthday Book Program! We hope you and your child will participate in this worthwhile program that increases the number of books our children can choose in the Whittier library. With parents and students helping, the program raises approximately \$2500 for the library. Please take a moment to read about the Birthday Books program.

The Birthday Books cart is loaded with new and wonderful fiction and non-fiction titles selected based on school needs. Your donation goes toward the purchase of new hardcover books that cost between \$20-\$25. Although the program is called Birthday Books you may donate to commemorate any special occasion, important person, ethnic holiday or favorite teacher. After returning the form and donation, students can select books from the cart to donate to the library. The joy the children get from picking a book, seeing his or her name inside and donating the book to the library is almost as important as the book itself. Your donation helps to teach the joy of giving as well as receiving. All donations are tax deductible.

**This is how it works.** This form is sent home with each student at the beginning of the school year and also in the month preceding his or her birthday or half birthday. If you wish to participate you need only donate once at whichever time you wish. When we receive your donation we will send you a tax receipt and your child will be called to the library by one of the birthday book volunteers during the month of his or her birthday, half birthday or special event to choose a book from the Birthday cart. *Although the book will remain the property of the library, your child will be honored as follows:*

1. A bookplate with your child's name is placed in the front of the book, listing their birthday or special occasion. For years to come, other students will know that your child donated this particular book.
2. Your child will be the first to check out the book and share it with his or her classmates and family.
3. Your child will receive a Whittier pencil.
4. Your child's photo will be taken with the book and displayed in the Whittier library until the end of the school year.

If you would like to participate, please fill out the form on the reverse. We look forward to seeing your child in the library.

I would like to donate a book to the Whittier School library in honor of my child's birthday or other special event.

**NAME** (as it should appear in the book) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print clearly)

**BIRTHDATE OR SPECIAL EVENT TO COMMEMORATE (please specify)**  
\_\_\_\_\_

**CHILD'S TEACHER and GRADE** \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUR NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**AMOUNT OF ENCLOSED CHECK/CASH** \_\_\_\_\_  
**(Make check payable to Whittier PTO)**

Return form and donation to your child's teacher.

Questions? Please contact:

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