

BOOKS ON BREAK

2024 Final Report



12,437 Students

harvested books to take home and keep forever

101,340 Children's Books

are now filling home libraries

37 Schools

in 5 counties participated



Book Harvest's 2024 Books on Break program provided 12,347 students with 101,340 books in 37 public elementary schools and childcare centers. Books on Break ran from May 2 through May 31, 2024.

Students selected brand-new books from a wide array of diverse and high-interest titles in both English and Spanish. Books on Break is a joyful, exciting way to help students build their home libraries and equip students with high-interest books to help them practice reading all summer long.

Books on Break 2024 Impact

The following data was collected from surveys completed by teachers, school personnel, and parents in North Carolina.

95% of teachers report that the books received for Books on Break were high quality, high interest, and culturally relevant for their students

91% of caregivers said that their child was "VERY" excited when they brought the books home

94% of teachers report that the program supports their literacy goals for their students over the summer months

98% of teachers believe caregivers are excited about reading the books selected with their children over the summer

92% of teachers reported that their students were more motivated to read books over the summer

This is an incredible program and the students were SO grateful/excited. They talked about their books for the rest of the week and I got several messages on the Dojo app we use from parents who were so surprised.
-Teacher

The books you bring are the best!
- Student

Thank you for all of my new books! I will always have a book in my hand. If you come again can you bring more, please?
- Student

Thank you book harvest for sending us books to read over the summer. You have helped me with so many books, I have an entire library. So in the end, thank you!
-Student

Receiving brand new beautiful books not only helps our Spanish speaking parents but also parents from all over the world. It lets them know that their children deserve high quality, beautiful books to encourage them on their journey towards being literate. For countless reasons, it is a beautiful program!
- Teacher

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ABOUT BOOK HARVEST

Book Harvest is internationally recognized for its work to transform children's literacy. Since 2011, Book Harvest has provided more than two million books to families in North Carolina, ensuring that parents have the tools and power to ignite and strengthen their children's literacy. With programs that are grounded in evidence, Book Harvest believes that literacy starts at birth, at home, with parents, and with books.



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