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International Book Project Seeking Applications from Three Central Kentucky Schools for Free Pallets of Books

The program, called Pallets for Potential, is funded by the MacAdam Early Childhood and Literacy Fund at Blue Grass Community Foundation.

Lexington, Kentucky (February 3, 2026) – International Book Project (IBP) has released a Request for Proposals for their Pallets for Potential program, which will supply one (1) pallet of books each to three (3) different elementary schools in Central Kentucky. The donated pallets will contain between 1,400-2,800 gently used books for children in grades Pre-K through 3rd grade. Selected schools will receive their pallet at no cost to the school thanks to grant funding from the MacAdam Early Childhood and Literacy Fund at Blue Grass Community Foundation.

The purpose of Pallets for Potential is to provide Pre-K through 3rd grade students with at-home libraries to enhance literacy, raise reading scores, and support family engagement in reading.

Eligible applicants must:

- Be a public, private, or charter elementary school
- Serve students in Pre-K through 3rd grade
- Have students who demonstrate a need for additional at-home reading materials
- Have the capacity to receive, store, and distribute palletized book shipments

Applications will be evaluated based on demonstrated need, a clear and feasible implementation plan, capacity to manage and distribute books effectively, and potential impact on early literacy.

Interested applicants may read the full RFP and apply at: <https://intlbookproject.org/home/our-work/domestic-shipments/>.

International Book Project is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Lexington, KY. Their mission is to develop lasting relationships with partners worldwide to increase literacy, promote cultural understanding, and open doors to opportunity. Since 1966, they have sent more than 8 million books to 168 countries on every inhabited continent. IBP works to provide educational materials to the people who need them most – those with the least access. Their model is rooted in strong relationships, local capacity, and long-term impact.

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