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Mayfield Students Receive Free Books

Nationwide Program Helps Local Students

Middletown, Ohio – March 9, 2018 – This past week, all 556 students at Mayfield Elementary School were able to select a brand-new book of their very own thanks to the efforts of our librarian, Mrs. Kempthorne and generous donations provided by First Book and Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for Women.

Books were available for all reading levels and interest types for the elementary students, grades K-5. Pi Beta Phi Fraternity members organize an annual event, “Read > Lead > Achieve” that provides books to educators and librarians of at-risk and high-need students. Coordinating with First Book more than 20,000 books were given away in the greater Cincinnati area though this event. First Book and Pi Beta Phi chose five locations nation-wide each year to benefit from this outreach project.

Mrs. Kempthorne heard about the program and reached out on behalf of the school. “The students are beyond excited to receive books they get to take home and keep,” she said of her efforts. “They just keep smiling and showing their books off to everyone!” This is Mrs. Kempthorne’s first year in the Middletown district.

Mayfield Elementary is a proud part of the Middletown City school district with the mission of engaging each student with challenging and innovative experiences in a supportive environment, propelling them to lifelong success.

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