

Yalesville Elementary School
Library Media Center / PTO
Birthday Book Program

Donate a book to the library in honor of your child's birthday!



- The book contains a special bookplate with your child's name and birthday.
- Your child's picture is taken when the book is presented. The photograph is displayed in the media center.
- Your child is the first person to borrow the book from the media center.

How does the Birthday Book program work?

Mrs. McCall, the library media specialist, pre-purchases recent award winning books that are shelf-ready. You, or your child, may select one of these special books to be used as your child's birthday book.

How to participate in the Birthday Book program:

- Complete the form below.
- Enclose \$15.00 (cash, or check made out to "HYES PTO").
- Return form and \$15.00 to the school office in an **envelope** marked "LMC Birthday Books."
- Please contact Mrs. McCall at 203.284.6910 with any questions you may have.



Please note: *There is a \$25.00 charge for checks returned for insufficient funds per PTO policy.*

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Child's name _____
as it will appear on the bookplate

Birth _____ - _____ - _____ Age _____
month day year on birthday

Parent's name _____ Phone number _____

Child's teacher _____

Birthday Book Program Frequently Asked Questions

What is the birthday book program?

Parents may wish to order a book for the Yalesville Library Media Center to commemorate their child's birthday. A name-plate is placed in the front of the book, and a picture of your child holding their birthday book is displayed in the library during their birthday month. Your child is the first to read the book!

How much does a birthday book cost?

The cost is \$15.00. Please place cash or checks in an envelope marked Library Media Center (LMC) Birthday Book. Checks should be made payable to **HYES PTO**.

How long can my child keep their birthday book at home?

There is no due date for a birthday book. Your child may return it to the library anytime during the school year.

Can I purchase my own book and donate it to the birthday book program?

Unfortunately, it is not possible for parents to purchase a birthday book for our library as we must obtain "shelf-ready" books from our vendors. The books come processed with bar codes, spine labels, Mylar covers, and downloadable MARC records.

How far in advance can I order a birthday book?

The sooner the better! You can send in your check today for a birthday in June! This gives me ample time to research a book that your child will enjoy, and ensures that their book will be presented to them on their birthday.

How do you select the books?

I read multiple trade publications, and use online resources to find highly acclaimed and award-winning books. I also spend a lot of time in bookstores and public libraries!