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**Summer book drive
for Lynnwood-area students**

Children in classrooms without literature collections read 50% less than children in classrooms with such collections, according to the [International Reading Association](#).

SEATTLE, WASH. – Community members are invited to donate new and used books at Inspirus Credit Union for the “You Inspire Us” book drive taking place now through Sept. 28.

The book donations will support reading and comprehension for students in classrooms that lack traditional libraries.

According to [Scholastic](#), children learn an average of 4,000 to 12,000 new words each year as a result of reading books. By sixth grade, students who frequently read may have upwards of 84,000 additional words in their vocabulary compared to their peers who did not read.

“The stories we read through books have the power to inspire and teach lifelong learners,” said Inspirus Credit Union Branch Manager Gabe Navaja. “At Inspirus, we believe in supporting education and hope that by partnering with the local community, we can make a greater impact together.”

Books are being collected for students of all ages and will be distributed to schools in the Greater Lynnwood Area.

Books from the following categories are suitable for donation:

- Adventure
- Autobiography
- Chapter books
- Fiction
- Historical fiction
- Non-fiction
- Picture books
- Poetry

Donations are being accepted now through Sept. 28, and can be dropped off at Inspirus Credit Union located at 3405 188th St. SW, Lynnwood, WA 98037.

About Inspirus Credit Union

Inspirus Credit Union (pronounced inspire-us) is where banking benefits education. When members use Inspirus for their financial services, they are furthering the credit union’s mission and increasing contributions to Washington’s education community. Nearly 80,000 member-owners share a passion for education that connects them to Inspirus and Washington classrooms. The credit union is a not-for-profit financial institution that returns earnings to members through lower loan rates, higher returns on

deposit, and donates time, talents, and dollars to the communities it serves. With \$1.2 billion in assets, Inspirus operates branches in Seattle, Spokane, and Lynnwood. For more information, visit inspirusCU.org.

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