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### **Local Program Looks to Replenish Books at Annual Book Buying Day**

**Lafayette, IN** – Every summer Book Cycle, a preventative program designed to instill a love of reading and learning at an early age, and its volunteers work endlessly to replenish their inventory. This year's annual book buying day is Friday, June 22. Barnes and Noble of Lafayette is generously allowing the volunteers to “invade” the children’s section for the morning as they select age-appropriate, educational, and entertaining books to become part of Book Cycle’s new inventory. Book Cycle began in 2003 to enhance early childhood literacy and to make it possible for young children, especially those of low-income families, to own books. A recent study found that just having books around the house is correlated with how many years of schooling a child will complete. In September, the Book Cycle volunteers will once again begin their weekly visits to several Child Development Centers in Tippecanoe County to provide books to every child. Two books are chosen by the child, who then takes ownership of the books, and may subsequently exchange his or her book for new books. Book Cycle is a self-supporting program with over 30 volunteers who spend their time going to classrooms each week. For more information, for those interested in volunteering at Right Steps Child Development Centers visit [www.rightstepscdc.org](http://www.rightstepscdc.org) or call 765.742.4033.

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