

The Birmingham Bar Association has again taken up the "Birmingham Reads" book drive challenge! This annual book drive is a literacy partnership of Better Basics, Junior League of Birmingham, and Scholastic. All the new and like-new books we collect will be distributed to elementary school children in grades K-5 in Birmingham City Schools. We need your help to make this a successful book drive for the children in our city!!

Children love books of all types – fiction, biographies of famous Alabamians, science, and sports, just to name a few. Any level 1, 2 or 3 Step into Reading books, other early reader books, or intermediate series books are great choices. To aid in your search, here is a short list of suggested authors:

Judy Blume Luke Flowers (Ninja series) J.K. Rowling Eric Carle Roald Dahl Alex Ryder Louis Sacher Matt Christopher Cam Jansen Leo Lionni Beverly Cleary Corey Rosen Schwartz Lucille Colandro (Old Lady Eric Litwin (Pete the Cat Mo Willhems (Pigeon series) series) series)

<u>Donated Books can be delivered to the Birmingham Bar Center, 2021 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. North or to the designated collection point at your office, if your firm is a collection site. Questions? Please contact Jennifer Lawes at Jennifer.lawes@regions.com or 305-1661.</u>

Please note that **donations** in lieu of books are also welcome. Checks should be made payable to the Birmingham Bar Foundation and sent to the Birmingham Bar Association or to your firm representative for the Book Drive.

## The Book Drive will run from March 19th to April 19th.

On behalf of the Public Service Committee of the BBA, thank you so much for your participation in this effort to improve the literacy of children in our schools.

To learn more about Birmingham Reads, visit http://betterbasics.org/programs/birmingham-reads/.