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Dear Fellow Scholars,

We have come to the conclusion that our second grade buddies are not getting to a sufficient level of reading. The tests that they have taken indicate that 88% of the class are at a kindergarten or first grade level. That is not good for the reasons explained below.

Only one person in their class is at or above grade level. The text "Bernie's Book Bank" says that two-thirds of fourth graders that aren't reading at grade level by the end of fourth grade are more likely in jail or on welfare. Not to mention, if they don't end up in jail, their life is almost 99.9% guaranteed to be in poverty and it raises the chance of substance abuse and/or teenage pregnancy.

To help them and ensure that they have a pleasant future life, we have decided that a book bag might help solve the problem. The book bag will include books, bookmarks, reading strategy lists, pointers, small hypoallergenic snacks to help their brains function at maximum efficiency and miniature finger puppets that could act as an audience for the young reader. This book bag would be helpful to them to give them access to literacy and vocabulary development activities (since it's not guaranteed that these youths have any contact or experience with it), which are proven to help children to have a more successful academic future.

To acquire the necessary things for these book bags, the money will be obtained through a GoFundMe page. We will set it up in hopes of earning enough cash to supply the needs to this

In conclusion, our fantastic buddies need help with their reading, and that help should be delivered in the form of book bags. We want our buddies to have a better life than that.

Sincerely,

Noah Dolan,

Isabella Mueller,

And Ashley Poppa