



Buck Lodge Middle School

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"We Are Committed To Excellence"

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Principal

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Baltimore Science Fiction Society
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Dear Ms. Avery, Mr. Deutsch:

To all members of the Baltimore Science Fiction Society, thank you again for your generous contribution to the Buck Lodge Middle School reading program and library fund. This has been an especially poignant year with the passing of Mr. Marty Gear. Bobby and Marty Gear were the impetus for our Reading Is Fundamental program and over the years with your support we have given books to thousands of Buck Lodge students. Each summer we looked forward to a visit by Marty to catch up with the doings of the BSFS and his adventures at Castle Blood, he will be sorely missed. We appreciate your continued support for our goal of providing books to all students for reading at home as well as in school.

Because of your generosity we have been able to add class sets of novels to our Language Arts classes and expanded the young adult section of our school library with current literature and graphic novels as part of the Black Eyed Susan reading award competition. In the 2012 and 2013 school years we used \$1200.00 to purchase "25 Book Campaign" t-shirts for those students who read over 25 books in a school year. The money has also been used as "vouchers" for students to spend at the book fair for books they can keep at home. Last year Buck Lodge implemented an enrichment period in our school day, we are again using this time to promote reading by involving students in a "book club" style reading group where they can read together and question and discuss new literature. In this way we hope to encourage their reading enjoyment and better understand their reading by sharing the experience with their classmates. Your donation will continue to allow us to purchase class sets of current novels for our students to use in these classes. With your support we hope our students continue to enjoy the pleasures of reading independently and develop a life-long love of reading.

Thank you again for your generous donation to the Buck Lodge reading program.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Richardson", is written over the typed name and title.

James Richardson
Principal

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