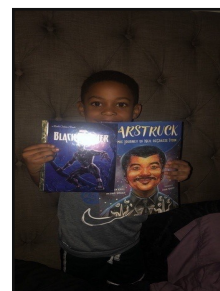
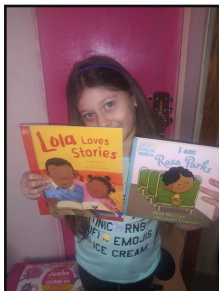
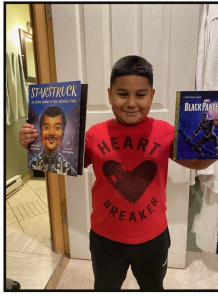
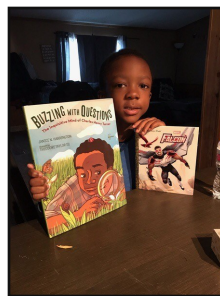
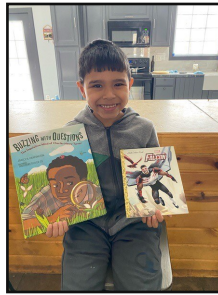
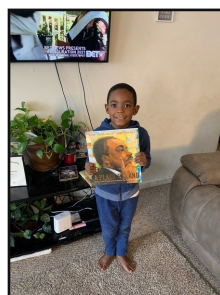
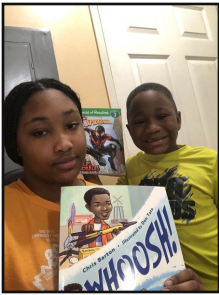
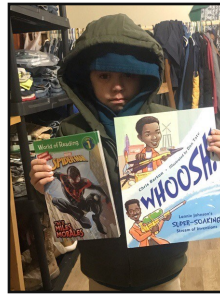


C.R.A.F.T.: A Steady Shining Light... Even in Challenging Times!

Thank you for the book donations!



Love,
Mrs. Williams'
1st Grade Class
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Books, Books, and Even More Books...

"Mr. Stevenson, what are you doing with all those books?"



"Mr. Stevenson, this is Social Studies class, not reading class, do we have to read all those books?" "Mr. Stevenson, does the school know you are selling books in your classroom?" The questions continued to come once students noticed the variety of books displayed perfectly in my classroom. So, I explained to each class that the books were donated by a

wonderful organization, named C.R.A.F.T. and they could choose a book of their choice. But, before I could pull the C.R.A.F.T. website up on the Ben-q Board in my classroom, a hand goes up.

"Mr. Stevenson, are you talking about Kraft Macaroni and Cheese"? I laughed and explained the goal and history of the C.R.A.F.T. organization. The students were very appreciative of the thought and gift to keep them busy reading during the pandemic.

Books were also donated to the 7th & 8th grade classes (100 + students received 2 books each) of C.R.A.F.T. Board member and S.A.P alumnus Mr. James Stevenson of Kankakee Junior High School in Kankakee, Illinois and to 6th, 7th & 8th grades classes of S.A.P. alumna Ms. Christine Foster who teaches at Lorenzo R. Smith Elementary School in Pembroke Township, Illinois.

The books were purchased from Young Black and Lit a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to increasing access to children's books that center, reflect, and affirm Black children.

COVID-19 Impact on College Students

On April 26, 2021, Dr. Stewart was a guest speaker to our SAP



recipients. On the ZOOM platform, she conducted a seminar on **"COVID-19 Impact on College Students"** to give them tips on how to handle stress, anxiety, anger, sadness, fear and/or frustration from the effects of the pandemic. She provided them with various mechanisms to help them cope with the stresses in a healthy way. The SAP recipients were very interactive in responding to her questions and

sharing their stresses as college students. Our students left the seminar with a wealth of knowledge to equip them with tips to help them manage their stress. The seminar was informational for both the students and C.R.A.F.T. board members. In the near future, we look forward to inviting Dr. Stewart back to conduct more seminars geared towards mental health with our SAP recipients.

Dr. Carla Stewart Ed.D is accomplished with credentialing in NCC, CCPC, CSC and CPCC. She is the CEO of CLS Comprehensive Services, LLC and assistant professor at National Louis University.

Jamal A. Simington voted C.R.A.F.T Vice-President

The C.R.A.F.T. Board of Directors welcomed Board Member Jamal A. Simington to the Executive Committee of the organization.



Shout out on the C.R.A.F.T. Facebook page from the Prude family.

Taylor (Clark Atlanta University) and Tyra (Tennessee State University) Prude are both S.A.P. alumni.



THANK YOU

The C.R.A.F.T. organization wishes to take this opportunity to thank all of the individuals, churches, businesses and volunteers who helped make 2020 a fantastic year for C.R.A.F.T. Those who contributed to the Eagles, the Student Adoption Program, the Student Assistance Fund, and the Hezekiah Brady, Jr. Scholarship made all the difference in the continued progress and accomplishments of the Organization.

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Contributions: (1.1.2020-12.31.2020)
Individuals, Churches, Business-----\$84,935.04
Student Assistance Fund-----\$11,073.00
Hezekiah Brady, Jr. Scholarship-----\$1,175.00

Expenditures: (1.1.2020-12.31.2020)
General-----\$39,813.91
Student Assistance Fund-----\$11,000.00

SKDO of Bourbonnais, Illinois is the accountant for the
C.R.A.F.T. organization.

The C.R.A.F.T. Board of Directors and all of the participants are very appreciative of your monetary and prayer support. We know that you have the opportunity to support many worthy causes and we are grateful that you have chosen C.R.A.F.T. We ask that you continue to remember C.R.A.F.T. financially and prayerfully.

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