



**TO: Norwalk Public Schools Administrators, Teachers, Staff and Volunteers
Staff and Volunteers of Norwalk Community Organizations**

FROM: Norwalk Federation of Educational Personnel (NFEP)

SUBJECT: 40,000 FREE Books for Norwalk Schools, Families and Students

The Norwalk Federation of Educational Personnel wants to do our part to help our students succeed. In this spirit, we are leading an effort to bring more than 40,000 free books to our community this spring from **First Book**, a national non-profit organization. Our goal is to inspire a love of reading and to help all Norwalk students succeed in school.

To do this, we need your help. To qualify for the books free of charge, we need to register up to 2,000 eligible school staff and volunteers with *First Book*, as well as staff from community programs that serve students and families in need.

To register with **First Book**, Norwalk school staff, administrators, volunteers should register as a “Title 1” school district. Eligible community programs that work with students or families can estimate the numbers served at 70% or above – don’t worry about being exact! For more guidance on registering with First Book, see the enclosed document or check the First Book website.

[Click here to register now, so that Norwalk students can receive free books, and help us reach our goal of bringing 40,000 books to our community!](#)

By registering with *First Book*, you will have access (but are under no obligation to order) to *First Book’s* resources, including low-cost books and school supplies through the *First Book* Marketplace, as well as grant and free book opportunities. No purchase is necessary.

Let’s fill our classrooms, school buses, front offices, school nurse health rooms, cafeterias and afterschool programs with new books. Let’s give books to our students to take home to read and encourage parents to read to their children.

Let’s work together to support today’s readers and build tomorrow’s leaders. Sign up today at www.firstbook.org/AFT and help us bring 40,000 brand new books to the children of Norwalk this spring!

Watch for follow-up emails with details about the spring book distribution in April, volunteer opportunities to help with this effort, and how you and your students can directly benefit.

