

Donate to the Art for Equity Book Fund!

For the second year, Art for Equity is raising money to purchase books by POC and queer authors for classrooms across the Gloucester Public School District!

WILL YOU HELP US RAISE \$10,000?

Donate via the Gloucester Education Foundation!



Use this QR code to visit their Donations page! And be sure to put "for Art for Equity" in the Special Instructions box.



WHAT WILL MY DONATION DO?

\$50 - 5 books! great to supplement old classroom collections!

\$100 - 10 books! perfect to add some new titles to a school library!

\$250 - 25 books! that's enough to provide brand new copies for an entire class!

\$500 - 50 books! that's two classroom sets or a whole new shelf at the library!

\$1000 - 100 books! total game changer! makes an impact in classrooms and libraries!

\$2000 or more - 200+ books! simply amazing! enough for us to provide to an entire school!

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Our Impact

2020-2021

\$9,600



dollars
raised

800+



books
donated

1



mural
painted

10



partner
organizations

Testimonials

The Art for Equity materials have helped add much needed diversity into our school library collection. A strong school library collection should be representative of all students and staff in our community. Along with the new materials, the Art for Equity team has helped me curate and create clickable resource lists that help students access physical, digital, and audiobook copies of the titles.

- Samantha Teixeira, GHS Librarian

Having these books has ignited engagement to the next level. Students are excited to have modern books with good characters and interesting stories that they like reading. Long Way Down continues to be the book that almost every kid finishes reading in a few days. Thank you Art for Equity!

- Cynthia Mochowski, GHS English teacher

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a little background...

What is Art for Equity?

OUR MISSION

art for equity's mission is to create public advocacy art and to diversify bookshelves across the gloucester public school district. we're a student collaborative working to build more equitable, inclusive educational spaces by harnessing youth creative talent and providing thoughtfully compiled books and resources to educators, students, and families.

the art

art is a powerful catalyst for social change and gloucester is full of passionate young artists. art for equity aims to give them a platform, so each year the team funds and facilitates a public art project that addresses identity and social justice. the medium is flexible and students on the team and in the schools work together to create the piece. last year we painted a mural on sailcloth for the high school field house!

the books

literature provides transformative experiences and helps expose young people to new ideas and perspectives. it can also help validate students own experiences and identities. art for equity wants to shift the paradigm about what authors one expects to see in a school setting, and this concept guides the work we do in classrooms and libraries. art for equity has three main channels through which we work to diversify bookshelves. first, we work directly with educators, purchasing the books they request for integration into curriculum or for their classroom collections. second, we work with school libraries, selecting and providing a variety of titles for shared use. and third, we curate booklists to be referenced by anyone in the community.

all books donated and recommended by art for equity are written by queer and poc authors and amplify and celebrate the narratives of traditionally silenced voices.

CURRENT PROJECTS

this fall, we did a complete update of our book lists - making them more extensive and user friendly. complete master lists are currently available as well as colorful flyer versions with our top picks! also, a new public art exhibit is in the works! we'll be bringing the poetry of queer and poc authors to the halls of ghs. stay tuned!

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