



BDS Book Fair FAQs:

Where does the PA get the books for the Fair?

The PA is once again partnering with Porter Square Books to provide books for the fair.

Will there only be children's books at the Fair?

The Fair offers a wide selection of books for children and adults ranging from fiction, non-fiction, how-to's, hobby, art books and graphic novels.

What is the wish list program I keep hearing about?

On the first day of the fair (Wednesday, December 11) students in grades K-8 will visit the fair with their class during the school day. During the visit, students have the opportunity to browse the fair and create an optional wish list that they will bring home for parents to review and shop from at the fair. The students are reminded that wish list fulfillment is at the discretion of their parents. Please note that Pre-K does not visit the Fair as a class but are encouraged to visit with their grown-up at any point when the fair is open.

When can students make purchases at the fair?

For equity reasons, we discourage book purchases during the classroom visit. Purchases may be made at any time the fair is open outside of classroom visiting hours.

Does my child need to have a grown-up to visit and/or make purchases at the fair?

The Fair is set up as a retail venture and is open to the public. Therefore we are asking for help from the parent community to keep things organized. Outside of class visits, we request lower school students (grades PreK-5) to be accompanied by a grown-up or middle school grade sibling. Middle School students (grades 6-8) may independently visit the fair without a grown-up.

Help! My child's grown-up is not available.

Should a grown-up not be available, arrangements can be made for a volunteer to accompany your child. Please let the Book Fair Co-Chairs know in advance if your child will be unaccompanied.

Can I buy books to donate to my child's class?

Absolutely! Teachers will also be creating a classroom wish list when they visit the fair with the students. The classroom wish lists will be available at the Fair for you to browse and select book(s) to donate.

How much does the PA get from sales?

The PA receives 20% of the total proceeds from the Fair.