

# Donate Children's Books to the Ochsner Reach Out and Read Book Drive!

Ochsner for Children will be collecting **new books** appropriate for children from the ages of 6 months to 5 years as well as **new and gently used books** for children of all ages. New books will be given to children during their well-patient exams, and used books will build a reading library for hospitalized children.

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### How to donate:

- Drop your book in the Medical Library Book Drop
- Drop your book in the bin at the front desk of the Ochsner Children's Health Center at 1315 Jefferson Highway
- Drop your book in an Inter-Office Mail Envelope and address to:  
**Reach Out and Read**
- If you would prefer to make a financial donation, please visit [ochsner.org/donate](http://ochsner.org/donate) and designate your gift for Reach Out and Read

Ochsner for Children has partnered with Reach Out and Read (ROR) to distribute books to the parents of pediatric patients during their well-patient exams and to build a reading library for hospitalized children.

Reach Out and Read was developed by pediatricians and early childhood educators to make literacy a part of routine pediatric care so that children enter school ready to learn. Exposure to books and reading in the first years of life enhances bonding between parents and their children while promoting literacy and school success.

