



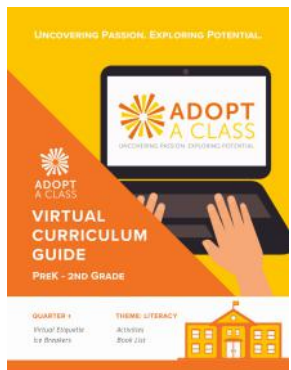
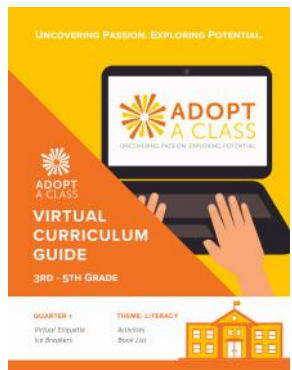
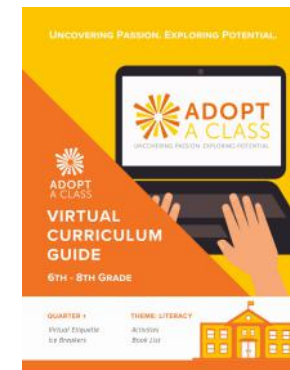
ADOPT A CLASS

UNCOVERING PASSION. EXPLORING POTENTIAL.

AAC MONTHLY INFORMATION

Welcome to our latest monthly newsletter! You'll find that it is filled with helpful tips & reminders, virtual educational activities, upcoming experiences, and essential resources. Together, we can continue to close the mentoring gap in Greater Cincinnati.

Our Virtual Curriculum Guides for Quarter 1 are **NOW AVAILABLE!** The Virtual Curriculum Guides will provide teams with virtual etiquette, ice breakers, activities/lessons, as well as a book recommendations list for your specific grade band: PreK-2nd, 3rd-5th, and 6th-8th. Our first quarter theme is literacy!

 <p>ADOPT A CLASS VIRTUAL CURRICULUM GUIDE PREK - 2ND GRADE</p> <p>QUARTER 1 Virtual Etiquette by Bookends</p> <p>THEME: LITERACY Activities Book List</p>	 <p>ADOPT A CLASS VIRTUAL CURRICULUM GUIDE 3RD - 5TH GRADE</p> <p>QUARTER 1 Virtual Etiquette by Bookends</p> <p>THEME: LITERACY Activities Book List</p>	 <p>ADOPT A CLASS VIRTUAL CURRICULUM GUIDE 6TH - 8TH GRADE</p> <p>QUARTER 1 Virtual Etiquette by Bookends</p> <p>THEME: LITERACY Activities Book List</p>
PreK - 2nd: Download Guide	3rd - 5th: Download Guide	6th - 8th: Download Guide

COMING SOON! Stay tuned for our virtual curriculum guides for Quarter 2. The second quarter theme is STE(A)M!

HELP US SAY THANK YOU!

Adopt A Class is putting together a video to show the impact our program has in the community. **We'd love to feature you and your team!** If you are interested in putting together a 15 - 30 second video sharing what Adopt A Class has meant to you, please email our Marketing & Communications Manager, Rachel at rachel@aacmentors.org for more details.

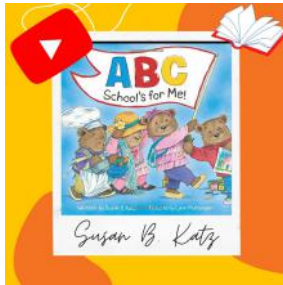


READ ALOUD RECAP!

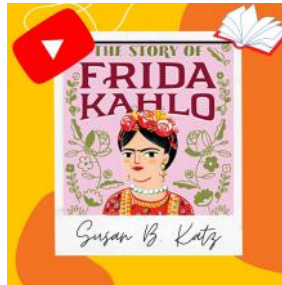
Adopt A Class is thrilled to be hosting our first ever read aloud series!

Read alouds provide a number of opportunities and benefits for students of all ages, from strengthening their vocabulary to increasing their attention span. We hope you can utilize these read alouds to complement your virtual mentoring sessions!

The first featured guests in our read aloud series are award-winning author and illustrator **Susan Katz** and WLWT's **Colin Mayfield**. Susan showcases her books *ABC School's for Me* and *The Story of Frida Kahlo* and Colin showcases *It's Brave to Be Kind* during an exciting read-aloud session geared towards our PreK - 2nd grade classes.



[ABC School's for Me!](#) |
Read Aloud by Susan
B. Katz



[The Story of Frida
Kahlo: A Biography
Book for New Readers](#)
| Read Aloud by Susan
B. Katz



[It's Brave to Be Kind](#) |
Read Aloud by Colin
Mayfield, WLWT



Stay tuned for more special guests, virtual field trip opportunities, and additional speakers being offered throughout the year!

COMING SOON: Our next featured guest in the read aloud series is Jenna Mueller, Author of the Fairy Tales As Told by Clementine books!



UPCOMING EXPERIENCES!



Adopt A Class & US Bank Proudly Present the **Danny Dollar's Guide to Financial Awesomeness** Series! The series features author, Ty Allan Jackson, via a set of four recorded videos, discussing his book *Danny Dollar Millionaire Extraordinaire: The Lemonade Escapade*. Ty's sessions are targeted at our 3rd - 5th grade students.

We are thrilled to offer this new resource! In addition to the videos, we have an educator's guide available for download [here](#).



ALL VIDEOS NOW AVAILABLE!



Danny Dollar's Guide to Financial Awesomeness | **#1 Intro**



Danny Dollar's Guide to Financial Awesomeness | **#2 Entrepreneur**



Danny Dollar's Guide to Financial Awesomeness | **#3 Saving**



Danny Dollar's Guide to Financial Awesomeness | **#4 Spending/
Dream Big**



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ACTIVITY CORNER!

Each month, Adopt A Class shares icebreakers & activities with you that are tailored to the grade band you serve. Our first quarter's theme is literacy! Please check out the icebreakers and activities for the other grade bands if you are looking for a bit of inspiration for your mentoring sessions!

As always, more lessons are available on our website in our [Resource Center: Educational Activities](#).

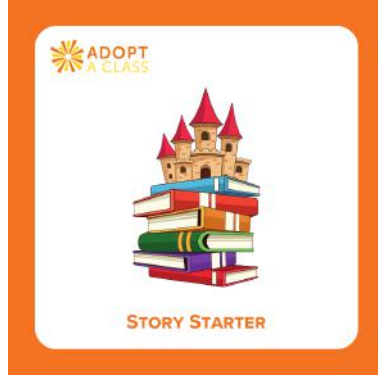


PreK - 2nd Grade
Icebreaker: Story Starter



PreK - 2nd Grade
Activity: Show & Share





3rd - 5th Grade
Icebreaker: Story Starter

DOWNLOAD



3rd - 5th Grade
Activity: Acrostic Poem

DOWNLOAD



6th - 8th Grade
Icebreaker: Two Truths and a Lie

DOWNLOAD



6th - 8th Grade
Activity: TED Talk

DOWNLOAD

TAKE ACTION ON NEXT STEPS!

Team Leads, as a reminder, you need to sign off on the **Adopt A Class Safety Agreement** before your first visit. You should have already received this in a separate email. For more information, please visit our **website** to read the adopters agreement, tips on best safety practices, and to see answers on frequently asked questions. If you have difficulty signing, or have not yet received your safety agreement please reach out to any AAC staff member.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER TO
LOG YOUR MENTORING VISITS!

WWW.AACMENTORS.ORG



Please continue to log your visits in the **Mentor Tracker**. The information you provide is instrumental in helping us understand our total impact. It also allows us to provide your company with specific details about your teams, classrooms, and contributions each year.

For any programming questions, please reach out to our Senior Education & Relationship Manager, **Kate McCann**.

REMINDERS FOR HOLIDAY GIVING!

Thank you for giving the best gift of all to your students throughout the year-your time. Many of our adopters like to provide their students with holiday gifts. The following are friendly reminders & suggestions for any holiday gift giving to your students. If you would like to give a gift, please make sure it is equitable for all students.



Gift suggestions include:

1. Winter clothing items- hats, gloves, scarves, etc.
2. Books- get a book for each student to take home or books for the teacher to keep in the classroom.
3. Gift to the classroom- new reading carpet, board games, bean bag chairs, etc. Ask your teacher about what gift will best fit the needs of the classroom.

With the unique nature of this school year, please contact your classroom teacher to find out the best way to drop off your donation to the school and to make sure it gets properly distributed to your students. Contact Adopt A Class if we can be of any assistance facilitating your holiday giving!

Once again, the best gift you give to your students is your time each and every month! Thank you for giving the gift of mentorship all year-round.

WE'RE HIRING!



Adopt A Class is hiring a **Program Manager - School Relationships** (Part - Time)! We are looking for someone to join our team. Perhaps you know of a friend or family member who would be interested. We are looking for candidates who will support AAC school partnerships, content creation, data tracking, and volunteer management. Read more and

apply: <https://aacmentors.org/career-opportunities/>

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Buy the products you want and support Adopt A Class at the same time! When you shop at smile.amazon.com, a percentage of your purchase will be donated back to Adopt A Class. Add Adopt A Class as your charity of choice on Amazon Smile now!

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Once you're enrolled, you'll earn rewards for AAC every time you shop and use your Kroger Plus

Card! Log into your **Kroger account**, click My Account, and then choose Community rewards. Search for ADOPT A CLASS either by name or EH472 and then click Enroll.



TARGET CIRCLE

By creating a Target Circle account, every time you check out, you can earn one vote to help direct where Target gives in your community.

Track and cast your votes for Adopt A Class Foundation on your dashboard. Add Adopt A Class as your charity of choice on **Target Circle** now!



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