

Elementary Librarians:

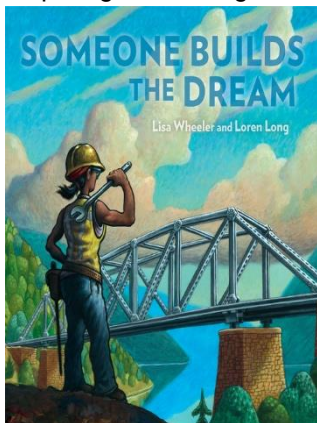
You're invited to participate in Reading Makes Cents, a reading program for K-5 students that:

- earns you FREE books for your library.
- provides the opportunity to win \$500 more worth of free books.
- assists you in teaching core SOL concepts through provided lesson plans.
- rewards your students for reading with the possibility of winning a Virginia529 savings account.

The Reading Makes Cents Reading Challenge helps K-5 students understand and apply many History and Social Science SOL concepts, including the ideas of scarcity, decision-making, work, money, and saving.

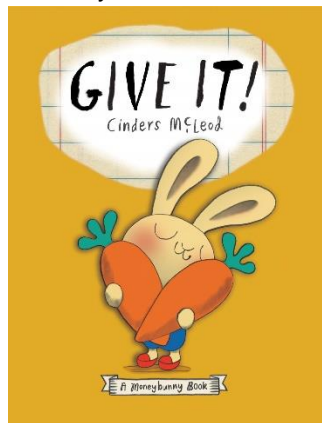
These financial literacy lessons will benefit your students – the sooner they learn about saving and managing money, the more financial success they may find in the future.

For participating in Reading Makes Cents, your library will receive the following books with library binding for **FREE**:



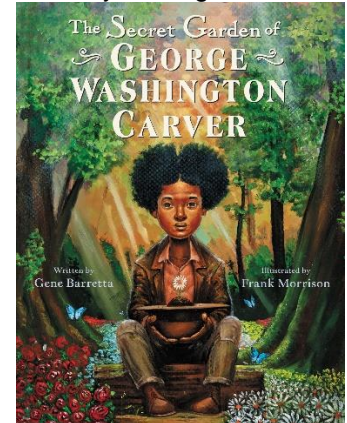
Someone Builds the Dream

(Lisa Wheeler)



Give It!

(Cinders McLeod)



The Secret Garden of George Washington Carver

(Gene Barretta)

PRIZES:

Fourteen student participants (two from each of the seven VaASL regions) will be randomly selected to win \$529 Invest529 higher education savings accounts from Virginia529.

The seven schools (one from each VaASL region) with the highest student participation on a percentage basis will receive \$500 worth of financial literacy books for their school library.

Sign up today using this application or register online at ReadingMakesCents.com.

See website for official terms and conditions.

By signing up to receive free books, you agree to do the following:

1. **Read and discuss the featured books with students in at least one grade level – or share a link to a virtual reading of the book with your students.** Lesson plans and activities are available at ReadingMakesCents.com.
2. **Provide the Reading Makes Cents Reading Challenge handout or a link to the online form to your students.**
 - To be eligible for the prize of \$500 in free books, schools must have a participation rate of at least 10% of all eligible students, as determined by school enrollment data provided by the Virginia Department of Education.
 - Students must submit their completed Reading Challenge handout (complete with a parent's information and signature) to Virginia529.
 - **TIP:** Librarians can collect all Reading Challenges from students and mail them in bulk to Virginia529.
 - **Remember:** Forms can also be submitted electronically at ReadingMakesCents.com
 - Librarian entries must be received by **April 15, 2022**. Student entries must be sent by **May 13, 2022**.
 - From a drawing of all entries, two students in each region – a total of 14 winners – will be selected to receive an Invest529 account with an initial balance of \$529.
 - Winners will be announced on or about **June 10, 2022**.
3. **Promote the Reading Makes Cents program.** This can be done in a variety of ways. Distribute information to parents and teachers, publish an article in the community newspaper, make a bulletin board, hold a competition, or use another strategy to generate excitement.

YES. My school would like to participate in Reading Makes Cents. We will read the featured books to at least one grade level and promote the program.

Note: Only one set of books will be provided to each elementary school.

Please mail the books for my school library to:

First name: _____

Last name: _____

School division: _____

School: _____

Mailing address: _____

City: _____

ZIP code: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Title I School? Yes No

Submit this completed form using any of the following methods:

Mail: Virginia529 ATTN: Reading Program
9001 Arboretum Parkway
North Chesterfield, VA 23236

Email: readingmakescents@virginia529.com

Fax: 804-323-2708

OR complete and submit the form online at ReadingMakesCents.com.

Virginia529 collects personal data in accordance with its Privacy Policy, available at Virginia529.com.

Special thanks to the **Virginia Association of School Librarians** for their valuable input in shaping this program.

Thank you for your help in promoting financial literacy across Virginia!