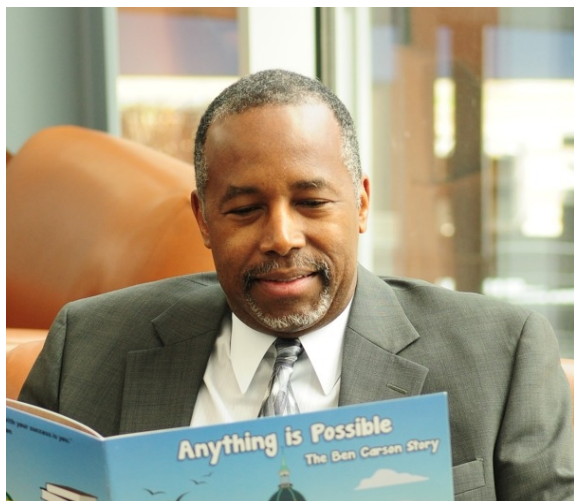


The Ben Carson Reading Room

The Ben Carson Reading Room is a place for students to quietly find sanctuary from the hectic world and immerse themselves in reading books and magazines that stimulate their imaginations. From this opportunity to choose among a diverse range of engaging reading materials, the goal of the reading room is to provide a safe place for students to develop a life-long love of reading, in turn developing the basis for continued success in life.

From an early age, Dr. Ben Carson's mother instilled the importance of reading in him by requiring him and his brother, Curtis, to read two books a week and to write book reports for her. From this experience, Dr. Carson developed a love of learning that led him to success in both school and in his career, as a world-renowned neurosurgeon. It is this same love of learning, developed through a love of reading, which Dr. Carson hoped to instill in young people when the Carson Scholars Fund was established in 1994 by him and his wife, Candy. The first Ben Carson Reading Room was established in Maryland in 2000. Inlet Grove Community High School has the honor of becoming the first high school in Florida to open a Ben Carson Reading Room.



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