



# AID FOR EDUCATORS



"Aid for Educators is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to fund our teachers with supplies and technology."

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## "Supplies for Teachers"



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Alice was elated to start a job as a remedial reading teacher. Then she arrived at her classroom and reality set in:

*I walked into a classroom as a remedial reading teacher with zero books in the room and zero bookshelves. My school gave me \$200. That's it. I had no working stapler. No hole puncher. One pair of scissors. No trays. I'll stop there. Let's just say that I write my name on a ton of stuff in my room because it comes out of my own pocket.*

What's even more shocking is that Alice could be considered one of the lucky ones in her school district.

That's a lot of emotion over markers and glue sticks. It sounds more like something a teacher from the developing world would write, not the US. But when you speak to teachers like Alice, you realize that those supplies either would not be in the classroom or would have been bought out of an educator's personal funds.

Education funding is complex in the US because every public school receives a combination of federal, state and local government dollars. And it varies state to state how the funding formulas work. Let's just say some states and communities are more generous than others.

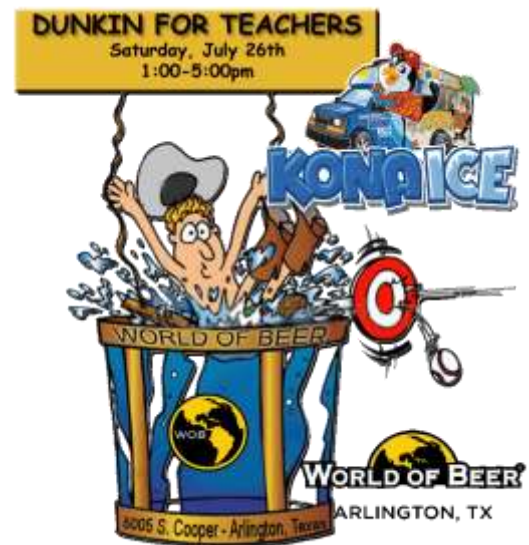
A teacher at a fairly well off suburban school has access to a "supply center" that he can order from every month. Many wealthier schools also expect students to come to class with their own supplies, even laptops. It's yet another disparity between wealthy and poor neighborhoods: who has markers and construction paper for fun classroom projects and who has to rely on a dedicated teacher to beg or use their own money.

The situation in each school and classroom varies, but when thousands of teachers are on online sites begging for money. Choose trying to make the case for funding for basic supplies, you have to wonder where America's priorities are.

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