

# Grant funds digital audiobooks for Ithaca schools

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Ithaca Public Education Initiative has again funded digital audiobooks for the Ithaca City School District.

The Phyllis B. Brodhead Library Media Technology Fund funded the request from the school district librarians, according to a news release. The fund was created by Charles "Chuck" W. Brodhead to provide grants in memory of his late wife, Phyllis, to honor her 33-year career as teacher and librarian at Boynton Middle School, the release stated. Charles Brodhead died in 2011.

The grant will go to purchase downloadable digital audiobooks, which offer readers an opportunity to hear a book professionally read aloud while following the text, which helps to develop fluency, vocabulary, story sense and comprehension, and can be a valuable tool to help challenged students, the release stated.



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