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Students Organize Campus Book Drive

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – Students who are part of Illinois Wesleyan University’s Alternative Spring Break will conduct a campus textbook drive from Tuesday, Dec. 4 until Friday, Dec. 14 to raise money for the Alternative Spring Break program and the organization, Books for Africa. New and used college-level books will be collected in green and white bins marked “Book Drive” placed in the IWU Bookstore, the Hansen Student Center, and at the Sodexo Steps. Caucasian

Books for Africa is an organization which collects new and used textbooks from publishers, schools, libraries, individuals and organizations, to sort, ship and distribute to children in Africa. Developed in 1988, Books for Africa has shipped more than 18 million books, and is the largest shipper of donated textbooks to the African continent.

IWU’s Alternative Spring Break was started in the spring of 2007, providing students the opportunity to spend their spring break making a difference for those in need, as opposed to the traditional spring break. Last spring, students conducted disaster relief work in Pascangoula, Mississippi.

For more information on the Alternative Spring Break or the Books for Africa textbook drive, contact the Student Volunteer Center at (309) 556-3850.