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Higgins Unveils New Book Vending Machine

NEW BALTIMORE, Mich. – Francis A. Higgins Elementary School is unveiling their new book vending machine during a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 10:00 am. The school raised the money for the machine during their annual “Hawk Walk” event on September 22. The six students who contributed the most will be cutting the ribbon to open the vending machine to the rest of the school.

The book vending machine is a one-of-a-kind, personalized educational tool available to all students at Higgins Elementary School. It will be used as a positive incentive for students, encouraging reading and promoting good behavior and empathy towards their peers.

"We stocked it full of picture books and chapter books, then students will earn tokens for their kindness around the school to use in the book vending machine," Principal Susan Trebilcock said. "The students were so excited to try to earn enough to get this machine."

Originally, the Hawk Walk goal was to raise \$6,000 to cover the cost of the book vending machine. When the fundraiser ended, the community had raised nearly \$8,000, allowing the school to cover the cost of the vending machine, some additional books to be added to the selection, and some fun extras for the students during the month of October.

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