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Walmart giving teachers an edge

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Walmart is helping buy 10 teachers at Fremont Middle School much needed classroom supplies through its new Teacher Rewards Program.

The teachers were selected randomly by the school principal Anthony Walker as an incentive for implementing a new program called The Reading Edge.

The Reading Edge is a research-based and research-proven program designed to meet the needs of young adolescent readers. Students are assessed and placed at their appropriate reading levels.

The Reading Edge uses cooperative-learning techniques to engage students in their learning and to create a positive classroom environment.

"Walmart is committed to helping address unmet needs in the communities where we serve," said store manager Rob Hershey. "Our support for Fremont City Schools underscores this commitment, and we are hopeful that through the Teacher Rewards Program, these educators will be able to purchase the materials needed for the new school year."

"We would like to thank Walmart for being a contributing partner of Fremont Middle School," Walker said. "Through their efforts our teachers will be able to provide some of the much needed supplies for students."

The new Teachers Rewards Program is an extension of the retailer's ongoing support of education and local community involvement. In 2008, Walmart, Sam's Club, and Walmart Foundation gave more than \$66 million to fund educational programs and scholarships in communities across the country.

To learn more about the Walmart Foundation's commitment to education, visit www.walmartfoundation.org.



Fremont Middle School teachers were chosen at random to receive classroom supplies from Walmart. (Submitted photo)