

Dear Literacy Advocates,

We are very excited to be reaching out to you about Disability Book Week. Disability Book Week (DBW) takes place during the last full week of April, this year being **April 20–26**. It is dedicated to celebrating and promoting disability inclusive literature that authentically represents the diverse experiences of individuals with disabilities. DBW is an opportunity to amplify voices, challenge stereotypes, educate, and foster a culture of understanding and inclusion through the power of storytelling.

There are numerous ways to celebrate Disability Book Week in your library and we hope some of these ideas help light a spark of inspiration to help implement DBW in your library:

- Check out our ever-growing list of inclusive literature on our website, disabilitybookweek.org. All of the books on our website are vetted by sensitivity readers in order to provide you with an authentic and inclusive reading experience.
- Create a display of disability inclusive literature.
- Consider sending or setting out a flyer about DBW (attached) to engage patrons.
- Mention DBW in your newsletter.
- Follow us on social media in order to get more ideas and book recommendations:
 - o @disability.book.week on Instagram
 - o Disability Book Week on Facebook

We truly believe in the power of inclusive literature as a tool to help build a world that embraces diversity, encourages empathy, and values the contributions of all.

Please be in touch if you have any questions and we look forward in partnering to build a more inclusive future.

Sincerely,

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