

If you are planning to conduct a book drive for Philippine schools, please review the following guidelines to ensure your efforts comply with the shipping policies of LBC Foundation (through which we obtain free shipping), and that your efforts satisfy the actual needs of schools and students.

1. A poster (11" x 17") is available for download for Datu Wali Mission-affiliated book drives from <http://www.datuwalimission.org/CurrentProjects.htm>. The poster is available as a JPG (photo) file, and an Adobe Acrobat (PDF) file. If you plan to print it on your own color printer, you may want the JPG file so you can re-size it to fit your printer. A print shop such as Kinkos, could download the PDF file from our Web site and print it for you at the original 11" x 17" (or other) size.
2. Even if you do not choose to print the available poster, we urge you to study it for the suggested language to use in creating your own poster or flyer.
3. Philippine schools prefer books in English, as it supports their efforts to teach children English.
4. Avoid shipping large sets of used American text books, as they would not be used for that purpose in the schools (which require authorized Philippine text books). You may, however, include a few copies of text books to serve as supplemental teaching aids and student references in school libraries. No one argues the quality of American text books; they are just not approved here for formal teaching.
5. Screen the contents of your book drive collection. Special-interest groups (religious cults, political organizations, and others) often seed book deposit boxes with their own publications to spread their opinions and philosophies. Philippine schools, however, welcome Evangelical Christian and Catholic-published books – even Bibles.
6. Screen donated materials for personal phone numbers and addresses (often written in fly leaves by former book owners). Make such personal information indelible with a marker or scissors.
7. Only printed matter is acceptable (no DVDs, CDs, video tapes, or audio tapes). Including anything other than reading materials or teaching aids (such as flash cards) violates LBC Foundation policies.
8. Just as you would not share your soiled used clothes with others, please remove badly soiled books before shipping. Ask yourself if it is suitable for your own child before packing it.
9. You should obtain very strong corrugated boxes for shipping. Stores selling heavy-duty boxes for moving, such as U-Haul or Home Depot are excellent sources for strong boxes. Boxes will be heavy and must endure the rigors of international handling, which is usually very abusive. Pack them tightly. Nothing self-destructs more quickly and easily than a heavy, loosely-packed box.
10. Mark the outside of your box(es): "Datu Wali Mission Books-for-Schools," to help facilitate our book distribution. You may cut and tape to your boxes, one of the labels included with these guidelines.
11. After completing your book drive, contact DWM by e-mail (tell us your city, plus the number and size of your boxes) so we can make arrangements with the LBC Foundation for shipping. You will subsequently be provided with the address of the LBC office through which arrangements have been made, and given further instructions. The office may ask to inspect the contents when you arrive, so you might have to wait to seal them until after the office has performed its inspection.

Datu Wali Mission
Wali, Maitum Sarangani Province

BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

Datu Wali Mission
Wali, Maitum Sarangani Province

BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

Datu Wali Mission
Wali, Maitum Sarangani Province

BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

Datu Wali Mission
Wali, Maitum Sarangani Province

BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS