

A Gift For Teaching is Central Florida's <u>primary</u> provider of free school supplies that enable children to dream, create and experience success in school and life. Picture a child at school trying to write without a pencil, read without books or dream without the tools to put their ideas onto paper. This is the reality for far too many students in our community.

More than 216,000 kids in Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties live at or below the poverty line...12,000 of these students are homeless. For families struggling with extreme poverty, school supplies often take a backseat to food and shelter. But school supplies are essential for children's success—a lack of classroom materials affects everything from attendance to self-esteem.

YOU can help prepare students for future achievement with the donation of your supplies! Drop off boxes will be located at the Exposition Management Office (booth 3181) beginning Thursday, March 1, 2018 at 9AM.