

Foothill Christian School Book Fair Update

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At Foothill Christian School, we remain committed to being **Decidedly Academic** and **Distinctively Christian** in everything we do, including the books we place in front of our students. After three years of partnering with I:55 (a Christian book fair company), we have made the decision to transition back to Scholastic for this year's book fair. Below, we share the heart behind this decision and how we believe it continues to support both our academic and spiritual priorities.

Understanding Our Book Fair Transition

Why is FCS transitioning to a Scholastic Book Fair this year?

Our shift to Scholastic stems from the desire to provide students with a broader and more engaging range of literature. While I:55 aligned with our Christian values, its book selections remained largely the same year after year. This limited access to beloved authors, engaging genres, and highly requested titles that inspire a love for reading. As a school committed to academic excellence, we want to provide students with a wide selection of high-quality books that cultivate a love for literature.

Does choosing Scholastic mean we are compromising our Christian values?

Not at all. Although Scholastic is not a Christian company, it offers the flexibility we need to pre-filter book topics and content. We are committed to carefully curating the selections included in our book fair so that they align with our mission and values. We believe this choice will offer a wider, more engaging selection of books, access to popular authors and genres, and curated materials that continue to uphold Christian values.

Will there still be Christian books available?

Yes! Scholastic provides a selection of Christian books and devotionals, and we are pleased to incorporate these into our book fair offerings.

What will the filtering process look like?

We recognize that, as followers of Christ living in a fallen world, many cultural resources require discernment. Our approach remains grounded in biblical wisdom: we will **reject what is harmful, receive what is good, and redeem what can be shaped for God's purposes**. With that in mind, we will intentionally reject materials that do not align with our mission and redeem Scholastic to fit our values, using it as a tool to promote a love for reading while reflecting our Christian mission. Though no system is perfect, we are committed to carefully reviewing and filtering our book list to ensure that the selections support both learning and spiritual growth. If you have concerns about what your child may choose, we encourage you to visit the fair in person to preview the available books and make informed choices alongside your child.

Thank You for Your Partnership!

At Foothill, we strive to provide the best opportunities for our students both academically and spiritually. Thank you for your support and partnership as we continue to serve our students with excellence!