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## DOWNTOWN EVENTS TO FEATURE CHILDREN'S BOOKS WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY ATEMS STUDENTS

English and art students at the Academy of Technology, Engineering, Math & Science have collaborated to create a collection of children's books here at the Storybook Capital of America.

ATEMS students recently completed a project where English II students wrote children's books and the art classes illustrated them. ATEMS then sent 41 students to nearby Thomas Elementary School to read the books to second grade students.

The school is also collaborating with the Center for Contemporary Arts and the National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature. The students and their work will be featured at a couple of downtown events:

- Thursday, Nov. 8 from 5 7 p.m.: Seventeen of the books and their authors/illustrators will be presenting at Art Walk in the upstairs of the Center for Contemporary Arts.
- Thursday, Nov. 15 from 5:30 7 p.m.: Authors and artists will be honored at a reception at the NCCIL where their work will be displayed for the public.

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