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Seeing friends and starting new classes is always a refreshing start to the semester, but starting school again can also be very expensive with the price of tuition, new school supplies and, of course, buying textbooks.

Buying school supplies can still be fun, but buying books is another story. Many students end up spending over $500 on required books each semester. Thankfully, there are many ways to save money when it comes to purchasing books.

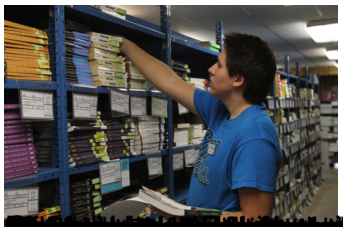
Most students already take advantage of buying their books online through Amazon or Chegg. But an already well-known website is becoming an increasingly popular place to buy and sell textbooks.

Nicole Lacy, a junior finance major found that Facebook was a great source for saving money. She posted on the ISU class of 2014 Facebook age, offering two textbooks for sale.

“It was my first time selling on Facebook, and I sold both of the books,” Lacy said.

Selling back textbooks at the end of a semester can also be very handy if students need the extra cash.

“I think the most efficient way to buy books is used, through websites like half.com and then sell them back to the same site at the end of the semester,” Lacy said.



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