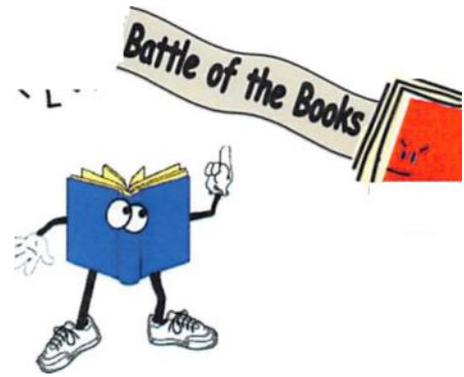


Battle of the Books Club

School year 2018-2019



Dear 5th graders,

A. What is Battle of the Books?

Battle of the Books is a program that encourages students to read a variety of good books by outstanding authors of children's literature. The list includes 40 books from many different genres (listed on the back), including books that are mystery, historical fiction, biographies, humor, science fiction, adventure and fantasy.

B. How are teams chosen?

Teams consist of 4 students and are chosen based on the number of books they have read, how well the student remembers details, and team participation. Our school can send two teams to a District and a Regional competition held in March and April of 2019. The competition is set up using a "Knowledge Bowl" format where teams respond verbally as well as in writing to the questions asked. Students are encouraged to read as many of the 40 books as possible.

C. Preparation for Battle of the Books

Preparation for **Battle of the Books** includes reading the focus books each month, participating in small group discussions and in monthly mini Battles, and attending club meetings regularly.

D. How do we get the books?

There is no requirement to purchase the books. Ms. Smith has multiple copies of each title and the High Plains library has 2 copies of each, as well. The Pikes Peak Library District also has the books, and sometimes even has them in electronic and audio formats (i.e. CDs, Playaways & MP3), downloadable to phones and Kindles or nook devices.

E. When and where are the meetings?

The meetings for 2018-2019 will be held **Tuesday afternoons from 3:20-4:15 p.m. in room 204 (Ms. Smith's room).**

You must have all A's, B's and C's and be caught up in your schoolwork and homework to be able to participate in y club at High Plains. Any questions, please contact Ms. Smith at 234-4700.

My child,_(first and last name), has permission to participate in **Battle of the Books** for 2018-2019 on Tuesday afternoons from 3:20 - 4:15 in Ms. Smith's room starting Tuesday, September 18, 2018.

Parent/Guardian Signature Date Emergency phone

My child will

Walk home

Be picked up

Attend daycare