

Dear 5th and 6th Grade Students and Parents ~~

Arlington Diocese sponsors a reading enrichment program called "Battle of the Books." This is the seventh year Nativity School will join the fun. We will read 15 books and meet weekly to discuss each book. In the spring, a team is selected to represent our school in a Diocesan Battle of the Books competition.



I'm looking for adventurous readers who like to read and discuss stories, plots, characters, and themes throughout several genres selected for them. Both challenging and fun, Battle of the Books encourages every reader to further develop a passion for reading.

To join Battle of the Books, complete the Permission Form and return it to the school office with the \$25 fee. Meetings will be held every Tuesday from 3:00-4:00 and begin in October. I encourage you to begin reading now. Then, when we discuss the books during the school year, you have only to lightly reread the book. The attached note sheet should be completed for every book as you read it.

And I'll see you in the fall!

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Battle of the Books Permission Form

Due to the office by Friday, September 20, 2019

No student may participate in the Club without a completed permission form.

My child, _____, has my permission to participate in the Battle of the Books Club. Meetings will be on Tuesdays from 3:00 - 4:00, and I agree to arrange transportation to pick up my child from school.

Parents are required to be in the school office at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. If you arrive later than 4:05 p.m., your child will be taken to Extended Care. I understand that I am responsible for any fees incurred for Extended Care.

Student Name (please print): _____

Grade: 5th or 6th

Parent Name (Please Print): _____

Home Phone #: _____ **Cell Phone #:** _____

Email Address: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Nativity Battle of the Books Contract 2019-2020

Please sign after reading. Your signature will indicate that you and your child have read and understand the commitment to the Club.

I agree to attend each practice unless there is an illness or emergency. I agree to follow directions given by the teachers during practice. Repeated interruption will result in a written warning note home. If the behavior continues, I will be removed from the Club.

I realize that I must be on time to pick up my child. My child and I have reviewed and agree to the rules and requirements for the Club.

Child's Name: _____

Child's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Battle of the Books Reading List 2019-20

Adventure

Lemons

by: Melissa Savage

Unbeatable Squirrel Girl: Squirrel Meets World

by: Shannon Hale

CLA

The Book of Boy

by: Catherine Gilbert Murdock

Classic

Anne of Green Gables (Graphic Novel)

by: Mariah Marsden

Sign of the Beaver

by: Elizabeth George Speare

Fantasy

BOB

by: Wendy Mass & Rebecca Stead

Nevermore: The Trials of Morrigan Crow

by: Jessica Townsend

Historical Fiction

Finding Langston

by: Lesa Cline-Ransome

Front Desk

by: Kelly Yang

Mystery

Framed!

by: James Ponti

Harlem Charade

by: Natasha Tarpley

Nonfiction

Grand Canyon

by: Jason Chin

You Want to Vote, Lizzie Stanton?

by: Jean Fritz

Realistic Fiction

New Kid

by: Jerry Kraft

Restart

by: Gordon Korman

Book's Title: _____ (continued)

What I Liked Best About the Book:

Your Two-Part Question and Response (question and response must be included):

Your Lightning Round Questions and Responses (question and response must be included):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

I would like to serve as an expert for this book because:
