

Greensburg-Decatur County Public Library

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Dear Parents,

Students in the 5th and 6th grades are invited to participate in the 2016 Battle of the Books competition sponsored by the Greensburg/Decatur County Public Library. This event will be held on **Saturday, April 22, 2017** beginning at **9:00 am**. The purpose of this fun program is to introduce young adult readers to a variety of fiction books and to encourage them to include reading as leisure time activity.

Your child expressed interest in participating. The next step is to get a consent form/photo release signed by you. Please read the details about the Battle of the Books and return the signed form ASAP. Thank you!

What: 2016 Battle of the Books

Who: 5th and 6th graders from Decatur County Community Schools, Greensburg Community Schools, and St. Mary's School

When: Saturday April 22, 2017 at 9:00 am

Where: Greensburg/Decatur County Public Library

Guidelines:

- Each team may have up to (but no more than) 5 members and 2 alternates
 - Each team must have 1 adult sponsor/coach from their school. One adult may serve as sponsor/coach for multiple teams from the same school.
 - Each team registering for the competition will receive all ten books to be used in the competition.
 - Team members are to read the 10 books. Each member may read all of the books or the books may be divided among the team members.
 - During each round of competition, prepared questions will be asked of the teams.
 - The questions will be designed to show the readers' knowledge of the plot and characters from the books on the reading list. Team members may collaborate on their answers.
 - Team check-in and orientation will begin at 9:00 am. Competition times will vary but the first round will begin at approximately 9:30 am. **Awards will be presented following the conclusion of the final round. Each team will participate in 3 rounds of questions.**
 - The first place team will win a trophy for their school.
 - Refreshments will be provided. All participants are asked to stay until the conclusion of the awards ceremony.
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____ Yes, my child has permission to participate in the Battle of the Books. I understand that he/she will be following the guidelines above and will be able to attend the program on **Saturday, April 22, 2017** at Greensburg Public Library.

By giving permission for your child to participate you are consenting to having your child's photo used on the Greensburg/Decatur County Public Library's website and on promotional materials. Pictures may also be sent to the Greensburg Daily News.

Student Name _____

Phone # _____

Parent Name _____

E-mail _____