



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Battle of the Books is a motivational reading program sponsored by the Alaska Association of School Libraries (AKASL). The goals of the program are to encourage and recognize students who enjoy reading, to broaden reading interests, to improve reading comprehension, and to promote academic excellence.

Lists of books are chosen for grades 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Students form teams of three, four, or five, read the books, discuss them, and quiz each other about the contents. Each team needs to have an adult coach/sponsor who helps keep the team organized and motivated along the way. **ALL practices must be held at school**, before, after or during lunchtime. Practices will begin as soon as we have all the books on site (look at the middle of October). Practice questions will be available for teams to use in preparation for the actual battle. A quiz show format is then used with all the teams to see which team answers the most questions correctly.

This year our Battle of the Books will be held on March 5th, 2027, but signup begins now!

Sign up for BOB begins NOW! If your child is interested in participating, he or she will need to turn in ONE registration form with all team members listed on it, along with the coach's name and phone number. Once the registration form is turned in teams can begin checking out Battle books. Additional information will be made available to teams and coaches to help them prepare for the competition. Each coach will receive a packet with practice questions, book lists, etc. at the coaches meeting (will be determined once all the information has been received).

Each participant needs a signed Permission Slip to participate in Battle of the Books this year. The form is attached to this packet along with the team registration form. You may keep this page for your reference.

The date for the Linton Battle of the Books will be Friday, March 5, 2027, in the Linton gym. Teams from each grade level will compete during their Encore time. As soon as grade level times have been set, information will be passed along to team coaches. The winning team from each grade level will then participate in our district competition. District competitions are usually held in April at one of the high schools. This year, our districts winners will also have the option to participate in a Regional Battle of the Books.

Please give me a call at 970-488-5883 or email me at fpollock@psdschools.org if you have any questions. Happy Reading!

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