



EMMA S. CLARK MEMORIAL LIBRARY
2017 BATTLE OF THE BOOKS for students entering grades 6-9

Welcome to the 2017 Battle of the Books!

If you enjoy reading, and want to have a lot of fun this summer, then join us for all or part of our annual Battle of the Books program. We'll be reading and testing our knowledge of eight terrific novels. Our challenging and exciting Wednesday afternoon battles are open to all teens. Compete successfully at our library and you may be one of the six finalists who represent our library in the Suffolk County competition on Saturday, August 12th at Stony Brook University and Monday, August 14th at Stony Brook University.

Local qualifying battle/discussion sessions will be held on four Wednesday afternoons - **June 28, July 5, 12, & 19 from 4:45-6:00 p.m.**

The Emma Clark Library battle to pick the team that will represent the library at the County competition will be held at the library on **Friday, July 21st from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.** The six highest scorers will receive a spot on the team.

The Suffolk County Regional Battle will take place on **Saturday, August 12th** at Stony Brook University. (The exact time will be announced - you must be available all day on August 12th) The Final County Competition will take place on **Monday, August 14th** in the evening at the Stony Brook University. (The exact time will be announced – you must be available all evening on August 14th) In order to qualify to compete for a spot on the team that will represent the library at the Suffolk County competition, you must:

1. Attend at least **3 of the 4** weekly battle sessions. (You are still welcome to participate in the program even if you can't attend 3 of the 4 weekly sessions, however, you cannot try out for a spot on the team)
2. Be available on **Friday, July 21st** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for the final library battle to be held in the library Community Room.
3. Be available all day on **Saturday, August 12th** for the Regional County Battle at Stony Brook University and during the evening on **Monday, August 14th** for the County Final Competition at Stony Brook University. Participants must arrange their own transportation.
4. Be available for the majority of team practices which will be held during the weeks of **July 24, July 31, and August 7th**. The practices are normally held in the late afternoon.
5. There will be a "mock" battle against Port Jefferson and Comsewogue libraries on **Thursday, July 27th** from 6:00 to 8 p.m. All team members are encouraged to attend this mock battle which will take place at the Comsewogue Library.

If you cannot or do not want to try out for a spot on the library team you are still welcome to participate in some or all of the weekly battle sessions. It's a great way to enjoy some good books and make new friends!



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All weekly battle sessions are from 4:45 to 6 p.m.
The books will be “battled” in this order:

Session 1 –June 28

Schooled by Gordon Korman
QB 1 by Mike Lupica

Session 2 – July 5

Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman
Loot by Jude Watson

Session 3 – July 12

Iron Trial by Holly Black and Cassandra Clare
Penny from Heaven by Jennifer L. Holm

Session 4 – July 19

Space Case by Stuart Gibbs
Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L’Engle

Please note:

- 1. The Battle titles have been placed in “storage” and you can request them at the service desk near the Teen Room.
- 2. **No more than 2 battle titles can be checked out to each participant at a time. THIS IS A PER PARTICIPANT LIMIT, NOT A PER CARD LIMIT.**

If you have any questions, please contact Nanette Feder, Teen Services Librarian @941-4080 or e-mail her at teens@emmaclark.org.

Please complete the registration form and return to the Adult Reference Desk.

2017 Battle of the Books Registration Form – Please write neatly

Name: _____ Phone No. _____

Parent e-mail address _____

Grade as of Fall 2017 _____ School as of Fall 2017 _____

I would like to participate in the 2017 Battle of the Books. I have read and understood the above rules. I understand that copies of the books are limited, and I promise to borrow no more than **two** of these titles at a time (on my card or anyone else’s).

Teen Signature: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date _____

Library Card Barcode _____



2017 Battle of the Book Titles



Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman

After twelve-year-old Emily and her family move to San Francisco, she teams up with new friend James to figure out the secrets of an odd book they find before the men who attacked Emily's hero solve the mystery or come after the friends.



Iron Trial by Holly Black and Cassandra Clare

Warned away from magic all of his life, Callum endeavors to fail the trials that would admit him to the Magisterium only to be drawn into its ranks against his will and forced to confront dark elements from his past.



Space Case by Stuart Gibbs

Dashiell Gibson, who lives on Moon Base Alpha, has to solve a murder of one of the moon's most prominent doctors.



Penny from Heaven by Jennifer L. Holm

As she turns twelve during the summer of 1953, Penny gains new insights into herself and her family while also learning a secret about her father's death.



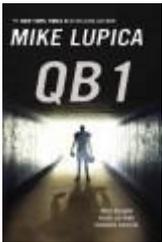
Schooled by Gordon Korman

Homeschooled by his hippie grandmother, Capricorn (Cap) Anderson has never watched television or tasted a pizza. But when his grandmother lands in the hospital, Cap is forced to move in with a guidance counselor and attend the local middle school.



A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle

Meg Murray and her friends become involved with unearthly strangers and a search for Meg's father, who has disappeared while engaged in secret work for the government.



QB 1 by Mike Lupica

Jake Cullen, fourteen, lives in the shadows of his father and older brother until he becomes the starting quarterback for the high school football team and finally has his chance to shine.



Loot by Jude Watson

When Alfie McQuinn, the notorious jewel thief, is killed on a job, his last words to his son, March, are to "find jewels" and this instruction leads the boy to Jules, the twin sister he never knew he had--and the perfect partner to carry on the family business.

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