

Battle of the Books Information



What is *Battle of the Books*?

Battle of the Books is a voluntary reading incentive program for students in grades 4-6. The purpose is to encourage students to read good books and have fun while reading books.

How do students participate?

Students participate by reading from the *Battle of the Books* book list on the reverse. Students will keep a reading log of the books they read. They should also write a summary of each book so they can review information before the *Battle*.

Where do students get the books?

The Los Ranchos library has designated a special section for *Battle* books. Our PTA has purchased additional copies for the *Battle of the Books* shelves, and teachers have most of the books in their classroom libraries. The SLO City library also has the list and books available.

What is the *Battle*?

The *Battle* is a full-day tournament on Wednesday, June 2nd, 2010, in which student teams earn points by answering questions about the books and the authors on the book list. Students meet in the multi-purpose room where they are randomly assigned a team and a mascot. The teams play several rounds against different teams. At the end of the morning, points are tallied, and the two teams with the most points compete in a *Grand Battle* after lunch. All other teams join in the audience where parents are encouraged to join in the fun. This year's *Battle* has a SURF theme, so "Catch the Reading Wave" and start thinking about a fun costume to wear the day of the *Battle*.

How can you help?

We will need many volunteers to help with the *Battle* on June 2nd. Please see the pledge sheet and volunteer sign-up sheet for more information. Watch the *Los Ranchos Roadrunner* for future updates.

Additional information and forms are available on the Los Ranchos web site (www.lr.slcsd.org). See www.battleofthebooks.org for a reading list and more information on this national reading incentive program!