

## HOW DOES MY TEAM REGISTER?

Registration begins on Monday, February 20, 2023. The coach should submit one registration form for the team. The registration form is found on the Library's website at [www.baldwinlib.org/battle-of-the-books/](http://www.baldwinlib.org/battle-of-the-books/). The last day for registration and team changes is Sunday, March 12, 2023

## WHO CAN BE A COACH AND WHAT ARE THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES?

The coach may be a parent or other interested adult who will serve as the contact person between the team and the Baldwin Public Library. Coaches will help the team stay on track and prepare for Battle. Coaches are responsible for arranging transportation for their team to and from Groves High School on the day of Battle.

## WHAT IF I CANNOT FIND A TEAM?

Students who have not found a team can fill out the Need-a-Team form on the Library's website. This form will be open from Monday, March 6th through Friday, March 10, 2023. Library staff will do their best to help students find a team but cannot guarantee team placement.

## WHEN IS THE BATTLE?

BOOK TITLES WILL BE ANNOUNCED  
AND AVAILABLE FOR CHECK OUT ON

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022**

THE BATTLE WILL TAKE PLACE AT  
**GROVES HIGH SCHOOL** ON  
**MARCH 18, 2023**

TEAMS MUST BE AT GROVES BY **9:15 A.M.**

THE BATTLE WILL COMMENCE AT **10:00 A.M.**  
ENDING BY **NOON**

## IMPORTANT DATES!

KICKOFF:  
**DECEMBER 12, 2022**

TEAM REGISTRATION:  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023**

INFORMATIONAL MEETING:  
**THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023**  
**AT 7:00 P.M.**

LAST DAY FOR REGISTRATION:  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023**

BATTLE DAY:  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023**

IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT  
THE YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT  
248-554-4670 or  
[YOUTH.REFERENCE@BALDWINLIB.ORG](mailto:YOUTH.REFERENCE@BALDWINLIB.ORG)

**BALDWIN  
PUBLIC LIBRARY  
ANNOUNCES:**

# BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2023

**BATTLE  
INFORMATION  
AND RULES  
INSIDE!**

**WELCOME  
TO THE  
BATTLE!**

### **WHAT IS BATTLE OF THE BOOKS?**

It is a program designed to foster a love of reading and to encourage students to read books outside their comfort zone. Fourth and fifth graders form teams with an adult coach, read the Battle books, and compete against other teams by answering questions based on the selected titles. Battle books will be announced and available for check out on Monday, December 12, 2022.

### **WHO MAY PARTICIPATE?**

All fourth and fifth graders who attend a Birmingham Public School are eligible to participate. Each team must have between 2 and 8 students and one adult team coach. It is not necessary for team members to attend the same school or be in the same grade. Students are responsible for forming their own teams.

**BATTLE  
RULES!**

**TEAM MEMBERS SIT TOGETHER** on the floor of the gym. Small blankets to sit on are allowed but all other items, including food, drink, and personal items must be left in the stands.

**SPIRIT WEAR** is encouraged!

**STUDENTS WILL USE A MOBILE DEVICE** to answer questions. More details about this will be shared with registered teams.

**COACHES SHOULD CHECK IN THEIR TEAM,** find their seats, and ensure the team has everything they need. Coaches then head to the stands where they can cheer on their team. Coaches do not sit with their teams during Battle.

**THE MODERATOR WILL READ THE QUESTION TWICE.**

Students have 20 seconds to choose the right answer and then the next question will be read. After all the questions are read, students will have 20 seconds to submit their form.

**AFTER ALL THE FORMS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED**

the moderator will give the correct answers.

**THERE ARE 25 QUESTIONS,**

worth anywhere from 1 to 3 points. Point values will be noted.

**FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD PLACE WINNERS**

will receive a prize. In case of a tie, there will be a tiebreaker question.

**TEAMS FOUND COMMUNICATING**

with audience members and/or cheating risk disqualification.

**GOOD  
LUCK!**

