

2025-2026 WEMTA Battle of the Books

Student Interest/Caregiver Permission/Coach Interest Form

Please fill out and return this form by **Monday, October 13** if you are interested in participating!

What is Battle of the Books?

- Battle of the Books is a program where students read great books from a specified list and then have fun competing with their peers in online “battles.” A battle is a competition where teams earn points by testing their comprehension/trivia knowledge in a Jeopardy style format by answering questions about the books they’ve read against teams from across the state of Wisconsin.
- Commitment is reading approximately five books per child (20 books are on the list) over a five month period.
- Teams consist of a maximum of 4 students of any reading level in 4th-6th grade (elementary). 6th-8th grade (middle). 6th graders can be on either elementary or middle team. Team meetings may occur before school, during or after school, depending on your coach’s and team’s availability.
- 2 copies of each book from the B.O.B. list will be provided by the school library & on Overdrive/Sora.

Parents Needed:

If you are looking for a fantastic way to connect and promote literacy with a fabulous Montessori Battle of the Books Team, then becoming a Team Coach is the opportunity for you! If you are interested, a brief summary of responsibilities include:

- Flexible weekly or bi-monthly “check in” with your team for 20-30 minutes (very flexible and may be over a lunch period, before school or after school).
- Creation of a team name and team poster. (Materials available upon request)
- Encouraging your team to read the chosen books from the Battle of the Books booklist is key! Participating students are placed on a team where collectively all members will need to cover the booklist.
- Motivational support for your team in completion of their reading lists, learning titles and authors, creating questions and practice battles.
- The final team battles take place online against teams from across the state. All questions are answered after conferring as a team for a set amount of time. Good luck!

Student’s Name: _____ Teacher: _____

- **___ YES! I want to participate in Battle of the Books! I understand that I am making a commitment to being a member of a team and will participate until the final battle. I will respect my coach & teammates, read my assigned books, and show good sportsmanship.**

Student Signature: _____

You may list ONE friend as a teammate (we will do our best to honor that 1 request) _____

Caregiver Name and Signature (Required)

****By Signing I agree that my student is allowed to read all books on the Battle List for 2025/2026****

Email Address (Required): _____

****Yes, I am willing to coach (each team of 4 students needs a coach)** _____

Email Jenice Carolan, with questions: carolaje@wauwatosa.k12.wi.us

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2026 WEMTA Battle of the Books

Elementary Division (grades 4-6)

(Title Order)

Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman

Buffalo Dreamer by Violet Duncan

A Duet for Home by Karina Yan Glaser

Dog Man: The Scarlet Shedder by Dav Pilkey

The Floating Field: How a group of Thai boys built their own soccer field by Scott Riley

Gibberish by Young Vo

The Hero Two Doors Down by Sharon Robinson

I Survived the Black Death, 1348 by Lauren Tarshis

Knight Owl and Early Bird by Christopher Denise

Lumberjackula by Mat Heagerty

The Misfits: A royal conundrum by Lisa Yee

The Mona Lisa Vanishes by Nicholas Day

The One and Only Family by Katherine Applegate

Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper

Pahua and the Soul Stealer by Lori Lee

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

Sal and Gabi Break the Universe by Carlos Hernandez

There's a Ghost in This House by Oliver Jeffers

Three Billy Goats Gruff by Mac Barnett

Vlad, the Fabulous Vampire by Flavia Drago

WEMTA Battle of the Books Middle Level 2025-2026 (6th, 7th or 8th grade)

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko**

The Benefits of Being an Octopus by Ann Braden

The Blotchley Riddle by Ruta Sepetys & Steve Sheinkin

Circus Mirandus by Cassie Beasley

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hot Mess by Jeff Kinney*

The First State of Being by Erin Entrada Kelly***

Heroes by Alan Gratz*

Hope Was Here by Joan Bauer**

Ice Dogs by Terry Lynn Johnson

The Last Mapmaker by Christina Soontornvat**

Louder than Hunger by John Schu

The Marvellers by Dhonielle Clayton

The Mona Lisa Vanishes by Nicholas Day

New Kid by Jerry Craft***

Pony by R.J. Palacio

Show Me a Sign by Ann Clare LeZotte

Something Like Home by Andrea Beatriz Arango****

Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

Unplugged by Gordon Korman

We Are Big Time by Hena Khan

*Golden Archer nomination 2025

**Newbery Honor

***Newbery Medal

****Pura Belpre Author Honor