

August 2025

Dear Fourth and Fifth Grade Parents,

Our school is offering Battle of the Books, a literacy club for 4th and 5th grade students, for the 4th year! The ***Battle of the Books Literacy Club*** is designed to encourage elementary students to:

- **Read** quality literature.
- **Read** over breaks and in their leisure time during the school year.
- **Read** for information as well as pleasure.

By choosing to participate in this club, your child will be introduced to a variety of fiction and non-fiction books. [2025-2026 Battle of the Books Book List](#)

Fourth and fifth graders are given the opportunity to participate in the ***Battle of the Books Literacy Club***. Students of all reading levels are invited to participate. ***Students read at least seven titles from the attached book list on their own!*** Many of the books are award-winning pieces of literature.

During the first half of the school year (from August to January), students will participate in ***10 book studies/book club sessions***. The meetings will take place on Tuesdays after school. During the book studies, participating students will work collaboratively to discuss the books and practice responding to questions about plot, characters, setting and theme. ***Regular attendance at the Battle of the Book Club meetings is expected.*** This is a serious, yet fun commitment! ***We only have 10 sessions, and they aren't always consecutive Tuesdays, so please look at the schedule and keep it handy or mark your calendars! Your teammates will be counting on you!***

At the end of the 10 study sessions, Cherry Hills Village student teams will compete against one another at the ***Battle of the Books*** competition, which will be a written test at the end of December. The top scoring 6 students from CHVE will be sent to the district Semi-Finals.

If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Fedde at kfedde@cherrycreekschools.org or Mrs. K. Swanson at kswanson14@cherrycreekschools.org. This is a great club for any students that love reading. There are some amazing titles this year! We're looking forward to a thrilling and fun opportunity for CHVE students.

Karla Fedde

3rd grade teacher and BOB sponsor

Karen Swanson

2nd grade teacher and BOB sponsor

***KEEP THIS AT HOME TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Tuesday afternoons from 2:50-3:45. And remember... there are only 10 meetings from August through January!!

Appropriate student behavior and ***regular attendance*** is expected and is to be maintained on a consistent basis. Students who are unable to meet this expectation will be excused from the club. We know there are many after school clubs and activities students are and would like to be involved in! Sometimes, tough choices need to be made and we understand that.

*****The Battle of the Books Literacy Club will hold its meetings on the following dates: Tuesdays in room 138!!!! (Mrs. Fedde's classroom)**

**August 26 September 9, 23, October 7, 21
November 4, 18, December 2, 16 January 6**

At the end of the 10 study sessions, CHVE student teams will compete against one another at the ***Battle of the Books*** competition. This competition will take place December 16, 2025 in the form of a written test and the top scoring 6 students from CHVE will be sent to the district battle! We will have a party on Jan 6th to announce winners and celebrate everyone for being a part of BOB.

This year the district semi-final is at Heritage Elementary on January 12, 2026. Last year our team went to the district finals and placed in the top 6 schools out of over 40 in the district!

Battle of the Books Permission Slip

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Please return to school no later than August 25, 2025! Your student's teacher will get the permission slip to us. (Keep the top pages for your information.)

_____ Yes, my child has permission to participate in the Battle of the Books Literacy Club.

Student Name_____

Homeroom Teacher_____

Parent Signature

Date _____

In the event that I need to be contacted, I can be reached at the following email & phone number.

Parent name_____

Email_____

Phone number_____

*If you need to pick up your child early for any reason, please contact us ahead of time!

I will be picking my child up at 3:45 by the bus loop_____

My child walks/rides bike home_____