

**Be a Reisterstown**

**Battle of the Books Coach!**

**WHO:** Participants 4th & 5th Graders from Chatsworth , Franklin & Reisterstown Elementary Schools

Coaches: (Enthusiastic & Courageous) Parents

Coordinators: Reisterstown Librarians and Elementary School Librarians

**WHAT:** Battle of the Books is a Family Feud/Jeopardy Style Tournament where teams of 5 students battle each other by answering questions from a designated book list. This year students will be required to read the 2015-16 Black Eyed Susan Nominees for Grades 4-6.

**When:** Reisterstown Battle of the Books will be held from 6:30pm to approximately 9pm on **April 20, 2016.**

**COACH RESPONSIBILITIES**

* Adult Team Coaches **must attend** the **mandatory** coaches meeting **at the Reisterstown Library, 21 Cockeys Mill Rd Wednesday 1/27/2016, and Wednesday 04/06/2016**. Please bring the attached participation form and photo release to the Coaches Training.
* Coaches may serve as coach for only **ONE** team and there should be only **ONE** designated coach per team.
* Act as communication link between Reisterstown Library/School Librarians, team members and parents regarding all information and materials for Battle of the Books.
* Help students come up with Team name and report to Battle of Book Coordinators
* Explain the answering and scoring procedures to your team, after training.
* Make sure your team demonstrates good sportsmanlike behavior during the Battle.
* Regularly meet with your team, monitor their reading progress and prepare them for the completion by quizzing the team.
* **Build team spirit by** meeting regularly & decorating team T-shirts or create other costumes (optional).

**Prepare for the Battle!**

* Decide who will read each book.
* Decide how often you will meet to discuss the books.
* Hold mock battles or “Jeopardy” style games based on the books.



**Coach Participation Form**

Dear Coach:

Your team has registered to participate in **Reisterstown Battle of the Books on April 20, 2016**. While the event begins at 6:30 pm and concludes at approximately 9 pm, it may last longer if tie breaker rounds are needed. The event will consist of the Battle of the Books Tournament, followed by an awards ceremony and refreshments.

**Coaches** **MUST be able to attend the mandatory training meeting on Wednesday January 27th, 2016, 6:30 pm at the Reisterstown Library, 21 Cockeys Mill RD, Reisterstown MD, 21136.**

**Please complete this form (please use black ink and print clearly), and return it to:**

***BCPL Reisterstown Library Mandatory Coaches Training* Wednesday January 27th, 2016.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I agree to arrive at my assigned Reisterstown Battle of the Books venue ***by 6 pm***, and to the BCPL Photograph, Video & Audio Release on page 2.

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**Photo Release for Persons Over 18**

**Event Date: April 20, 2016**

**Event: Reisterstown Battle of the Books**

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**I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ consent to the use of my name and photographic likeness as well in all forms and media made on this date by the Baltimore County Public Library for media productions and/or publicity. I waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product or copy and any use thereof.**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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