

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2021

Team Manager Responsibilities

Attend the Team Managers' Meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021, at 6:30 pm via Zoom (a link will be sent to all managers prior to the event).

You are the contact person for the team.

- ✓ If you have team members who drop out and/or new members join (teams may not have more than 6 members) or if you add a co-manager, please contact Anne Britton at 259-5277 x 3101 or e-mail a.britton@mphpl.org with those changes.
- ✓ **February 19, 2021** is the last day to make corrections regarding your team name or team members' names. Please help us ensure that everyone's name is correct. These may be given in person, over the phone or by e-mail.
- ✓ **Whatever is on record on February 22 will be printed in the program for the morning of the Battle and on the Certificates of Participation.**

General Rules:

- ✓ You may not have books or notes during the battle. As this is a virtual competition, team members and managers are asked to monitor their own behavior and ensure all rules are followed. Please remember that this is a fun competition. Cheating of any kind will not be tolerated.
- ✓ Participants are welcome to show team spirit and excitement by wearing special t-shirts or costumes on the day of BOB. Teams may have the option to appear on video occasionally throughout the competition if they choose to show off their team spirit. During questions, all video/audio of teams will be turned off to allow teams privacy to confer.

Motivate your team members to read!

- ✓ Hold regular meetings with the focus on fun.
- ✓ Some team managers divide the titles between team members, with each member concentrating on a certain book(s). However, encourage each team member to read as many of the titles as possible.
- ✓ Keep notes for each title, including main characters, settings, and important events.
- ✓ As your team members read the books, have them write down questions and quiz each other to practice for the Battle.
- ✓ Quiz team members often on the names of the authors of the books.
- ✓ Read as many of the books as possible yourself. Some of your team members' parents may also be willing to read the books and write questions, too, to quiz your team.
- ✓ Remember that first and foremost – the reading should be fun!

Prepare your team for the Battle.

- ✓ Make sure you and your team members are prepared to start at 9:00 am on Saturday, March 27. Plan to meet as a team (either in person or virtually on your chosen platform) before we begin the Live Zoom event.
- ✓ Make sure your team demonstrates good-sportsmanlike behavior during the Battle. Treat other teams with respect!

