

## **Battle of the Books**

Dear Parents,

The Battle of the Books list has been published! We are so excited to share these titles with our rising fourth grade families. Each fourth-grade student is provided the opportunity to participate in a friendly competition to showcase their knowledge of current children's literature.

The purpose of this reading enrichment program is to encourage recreational reading, offer a variety of types of literature, increase familiarity with different authors, and share books through written and oral expression. The challenge is for students to read as many of the fifteen books as possible by March 2020.

On the reverse of this sheet you will find the 2019-2020 Battle Official Title/Author List. These books are *Florida Sunshine State Award Books*, selected by a panel of media specialists throughout the state. They represent a variety of multi-cultural backgrounds, as well as, a range of reading levels. Several of these are the first book in a series, so if your child really enjoys a book, I encourage him/her to look into other books by that author.

All students will receive a tracking chart for the challenge so that they can record their progress. Students can earn prizes by reading the books and demonstrating knowledge.

In the spring, a Qualifying Test on the 15 books will be given to all participating students. The top four scorers in each class will represent their class in the school's Battle. Fourth Grade classes, as well as, the parents of the contestants, will be invited to attend the Battle. The winning classroom will attend a district Battle with other charter schools. All students who read the books are winners; however, for having read great children's literature!

HAPPY READING!!!



## Sunshine State Young Readers Award Books 2019-20 List for Grades 3-5

The Ambrose Deception by Emily Ecton

Annie's Life in Lists by Kristin Mahoney

Ben Franklin's in my Bathroom! by Candace Fleming

The Bicycle Spy by Yona Zeldis McDonough

Bob by Wendy Mass & Rebecca Stead

Cosmic Commandos by Christopher Eliopoulos

Dragon with a Chocolate Heart by Stephanie Burgis

Enginerds by Jarrett Lerner

Ghost Attack by David Lubar

Sled Dog School by Terry Lynn Johnson

Stella Diaz has Something to Say by Angela Dominguez

Superstar by Mandy Davis

Survival Tails: The Titanic by Katrina Charman

Tumble & Blue by Cassie Beasley

Wedgie & Gizmo by Suzanne Selfors