

Announcing Saratoga Shores Elementary's Second Annual "AMERICA'S BATTLE OF THE BOOKS"

America's Battle of the Books is a voluntary reading incentive program for students in **grades 3-6**. The purpose is simply to encourage students to read good books and have fun while competing with peers.

Interested students will be part of a team of 4-5 students. Each team will read as many books as possible from the book list for their grade. In March, teams will come together for a competition tournament where they will work as a team to answer questions about the books from the list. There are 20 books on each grade level list **(See attached lists).** Students do not have to read every book on the list, however, the more books each person on the team reads the better chance they have when answering questions about the books in a battle. Teachers will form teams and include all reading levels to ensure the success of every team. The 1st place team from the 5th/6th grade division will get to compete in a <u>District Battle on Saturday, March 23, 2013</u>. Parents are responsible for own transportation. Location announced later. Students interested in participating must return the signed permission slip below to their teacher by **Wednesday, October 24.** We will be sending our T-SHIRT order by Friday, October 26. We suggest getting a slightly larger shirt if you think you'll want to be in Battle of the Books for more than one year.

We are also in need of volunteers to run several hundred battles the first week of March. If you would like to help out that week please list your name, phone number, and email address as well. This will really help you understand how this program works and see how much fun we have during our own "March Madness"! This is a FREE program to students and the battles will take place during school.

**** Students:	□ Yes I will participate in "BATTLE OF THE BOOKS"!
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Student	Name	

Grade/Teacher___

Parent signature ____

Please Check ONE BOX:

□ We **DO NOT** need a new t-shirt, we still have one from last year.

□ We would like a NEW T-shirt.

Please circle shirt size- Youth S M L XL or Adult S M L XL (Purple)

****** Parents: DYes** I would love to help with the battles!

Name____ Number

_____ Email_

Please circle shirt size- Adult S M L XL (Navy Blue)