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North Olympic Library System  
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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Date: March 5, 2018  
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Subject: 6th Grade Poetry SLAM

The 2018 Clallam County PoetrySLAM for young poets and thespians in the sixth grade will take place at 6:30pm on Thursday, April 26, at the Port Angeles Main Library of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS). Students will compete by reading an original work or reciting a published poem.

The Library's annual PoetrySLAM encourages young adults to express themselves through poetry. Students may submit original works of poetry (written by the student) to be read or recited for the judging panel. Original poetry will be judged on content. Students may also choose to recite a previously published poem from memory. Recited poems must be under 30 lines in length. The recital will be judged for quality of dramatic performance. All poets must be able to read or recite their poetry at the PoetrySLAM on Thursday, April 26.

### **To Enter**

Students may enter by participating in a classroom elimination round held at their school. For homeschooled students, or those whose classroom is not conducting elimination rounds, entry can be arranged by contacting NOLS Youth Services Library Jennifer Knight at [jknight@nols.org](mailto:jknight@nols.org). All students interested in participating must fill out an official entry form, and

attach a copy of the poem they wish to read or recite. Entry forms can be found at [www.nols.org/poetryslam](http://www.nols.org/poetryslam), or picked up at any NOLS library.

Deadline: Entry forms must be received by the library or your teacher no later than 5pm on March 30, 2018. Prizes include a Samsung Galaxy tablet and gift certificates to local bookstores.

### **Additional Information**

The Battle of the Books program is generously supported by the Port Angeles Friends of the Library, the Friends of Sequim Library, and the Friends of the Forks Library. The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 South Peabody Street. For information about this and other programs for youth, visit the library website at [www.nols.org](http://www.nols.org), contact the Youth Services Department of the Port Angeles Main Library at 360.417.8500 x7705, or send an email to [Youth@nols.org](mailto:Youth@nols.org).

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