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Subject: Final Battle of the Books Competition  
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See the joy of reading come alive as fourth graders from twelve Clallam County Schools and a homeschool team participate in a trivia style competition. Battle of the Books is a year-long collaborative project between NOLS and eleven schools from around Clallam County. For five months, library staff visited fourth-grade classrooms and facilitated book club discussions in Port Angeles, Joyce, Forks, La Push and Sequim, and hosted a monthly meeting for homeschooled students. All participating students received free copies of the books read throughout the year and a t-shirt featuring original artwork by a participating student.

As a culmination to the program, teams of students from each school will compete for a trophy at 6:30pm on Friday, March 16, at the Port Angeles Main Library. All students participating in the battle must check-in at the Port Angeles Main Library Carver Meeting Room by 6:10pm. Failure to check-in on time will result in an alternate student being used on the team.

“The program is designed to encourage kids to be lifelong readers,” Youth Services Librarian Jennifer Knight said. “We want reading to be fun—having a Battle of the Books program is a way to cultivate that.”

## **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).



*2017 Battle of the Books contestants*

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