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Subject: Book Wars
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BOOK WARS is a year-long collaborative project between the North Olympic Library System (NOLS) and schools from around Clallam County, for seventh and eighth grade students. Students will form teams of up to four people and read as many of the 12 selected titles as they can during the coming months. In February, students will compete in a semi-final trivia battle at their schools. On Friday, March 6 at 6:30pm, the program will culminate in a county-wide final trivia contest at the Port Angeles Main Library.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

1. Make a team with no more than four students. If you need help finding a team, talk to a teacher at your school or NOLS Youth Services staff.
2. Return your completed entry form to your teacher or NOLS by November 27.
3. Read! Copies of official Book Wars books and audiobooks are available at your school library, classroom, and NOLS.
4. Compete in the semi-final round in February.
5. Advance with your team to the final competition on Friday, March 6 at the Port Angeles Main Library.
6. Win! Teams have the chance win the following prizes:

1st Place: \$75 Gift Card to a bookstore for each member of the winning team and a trophy for bragging rights

2nd Place: \$50 gift card to a bookstore for each member of the winning team

3rd Place: \$25 gift card to a bookstore for each member of the winning team

Special “chocolatey” prize for the team with the best group costume at the final competition.

BOOK WARS titles are: *Hey, Kiddo* by Jarrett Krosoczka, *Attucks! Oscar Robertson and the Basketball Team that Awakened a City* by Phillip M. Hoose, *The Assassination of Brangwain Spurge* by M. T. Anderson and illustrated by Eugene Yelchin, *The Only Road* by Alexandra Díaz, *Small Spaces* by Katherine Arden, *Akata Witch* by Nnedi Okorafor, *The Marrow Thieves* by Cherie Dimaline, *Lily and Dunkin* by Donna Gephart, *Finding Audrey* by Sophie Kinsella, *The Boy In The Striped Pajamas* by John Boyne, *The Seventh Most Important Thing* by Shelley Pearsall, and *Benefits of Being an Octopus* by Ann Braden.

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7th and 8th grade students can sign-up for Book Wars by November 27.

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