



What is Elementary Battle of the Books?

The purpose of this program is to encourage reading by all students. Students are exposed to quality literature representing a variety of literary styles and viewpoints by prominent authors. The game format creates interest and excitement in reading. Through the fun and excitement of the competition, students improve reading skills, expand their choices of reading materials, and acquire a broader knowledge base. The Bethel EBOB team is a *select* group of 4th and 5th graders who will compete against other elementary school teams in the Haywood County Elementary Battle of the Books (EBOB) competition in March.

What do I have to do?

- You have to be a 4th or 5th grader.
- You will need to fill out and sign a student agreement.
- You have to be willing to memorize the title & authors of 15 great books, as well as read all 15 books listed on the Elementary Battle of the Book List.
- You will also be asked to answer questions about your reading.
- You have to be a great team player!

Other important information:

To know which books to read, please take a look at the North Carolina School Library Media Association's [2023-2024 Elementary Battle of the Books booklist](#). You can begin now studying the author's names and the titles of all 15 books. We will have all of these books available for check-out in the Media Center.

Team members will be expected to read one book a week for 15 weeks. They will take Book Quizzes as they read. Team members can join our Battle of the Books [Google Classroom](#) for practice quizzes and links to helpful sites.

We will begin once-weekly practices starting in October so that we can be ready for our county competition in March!

There are only 12 spots available on the team, so come to all practices and keep up with your reading.

Bethel Elementary
Battle Of the Books Student Agreement
(return this form to Mrs. Haas by Sep 15, 2023)

I realize that participation in Elementary Battle of the Books Competition requires a lot of hard work and commitment on my part.

I will:

- Read 1 book per week.
- Read 4 books by Thursday, October 26th.
- Read 8 books by Nov 30th.
- Read 12 books by January 11th.
- Read 15 books by February 1st.
- Weekly attendance is mandatory. No more than one absence from a meeting except sickness. Practice will be every Thursday from 11:40-12:20. After Christmas practice will be twice a week.

I will have the book titles and authors memorized by November 2nd.

My performance on book quizzes will help determine who makes the final 12 team members.

I understand that my behavior needs to be respectful and supportive to make our practices productive. Three notes home, due to inappropriate behavior = Being cut from the team.

I will work as a team and respect other team members' opinions.

I understand that these requirements will determine the final selection of team members for the Battle of the Books team.

****By signing below I am agreeing to the above requirements.**

Student signature _____

Parent signature _____

