

Battle of the Books 2023-2024 Reading List
Kahuku Public and School Library - Hawaii State Public Library System



Grade 1 to 2		Title	Author
DIVISION 1	1	The Book with No Pictures	BJ Novak
	2	Shark King	R. Kikuo Johnson
	3	Henry's Freedom Box: A True Story... Underground Railroad	Ellen Levine
	4	A to Z Mysteries—Absent Author	Ron Roy
	5	Miss Rumphius	Barbara Cooney
	6	A Chair for My Mother	Vera Williams
	7	The Giving Tree	Shel Silverstein
	8	Squish - Super Amoeba	Jennifer Holm
	9	Ivy + Bean	Annie Barrows
	10	The Island-Below-the-Star	James Rumford
	11	Rise of the Earth Dragon (Dragon Masters #1)	Tracey West
	12	Last Stop on Market Street	Matt de la Peña
	13	Dog Man	Dav Pilkey
Grade 3 to 4		Title	Author
DIVISION 2	1	The One and Only Ivan	Katherine Applegate
	2	Out of My Mind	Sharon Draper
	3	The Lightning Thief	Rick Riordan
	4	The Invention of Hugo Cabret	Brian Selznick
	5	Calvin Coconut: Hero of Hawaii	Graham Salisbury
	6	Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School, and Other Scary Things	Lenore Look
	7	Sarah Plain and Tall	Patricia MacLachlan
	8	The Velveteen Rabbit	Margery Williams Bianco
	9	Zorgamazoo	Robert Paul Weston
	10	Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library	Chris Grabenstein
	11	Stonekeeper (Amulet, Book One)	Kazu Kibuishi
	12	I Survived the San Francisco Earthquake, 1906	Lauren Tarshis
	13	The Mouse with the Question Mark Tail	Richard Peck
Grade 5 to 6		Title	Author
DIVISION 3	1	The Little Prince (Translated by Richard Howard)	Antoine de Saint-Exupéry
	2	Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone	JK Rowling
	3	Under The Blood-Red Sun	Graham Salisbury
	4	A Wrinkle in Time	Madeleine L'Engle
	5	Call it Courage	Armstrong Sperry
	6	A Single Shard	Linda Sue Park
	7	Where the Mountain Meets the Moon	Grace Lin
	8	Dealing with Dragons	Patricia Wrede
	9	Kamehameha-The Rise of a King	Kawika Eyre
	10	Rain, Reign	Ann Martin
	11	Bad Beginning (A Series of Unfortunate Events, Book the 1st)	Lemony Snicket
	12	Holes	Louis Sachar
	13	The Wishing Spell (The Land of Stories, #1)	Chris Colfer

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Basic Facts about Ko'olauloa Battle of the Books

Who:

Ko'olauloa area public and private elementary schools and home school families in 1st to 6th grades. Ko'olauloa is located on the North Shore/Upper Windward Side of O'ahu (Sunset Beach to Ka'a'awa).

What:

An afterschool, extra-curricular reading program encouraging students to read and study a list of books during the school year with a district-wide competition (team and individual challenges, game show style); modeled on America's Battle of the Books.

It is organized by the Kahuku Public and School Library staff and volunteers and implemented by parent volunteers and supported by participating school staff.

In the past, the following school groups have participated: Sunset Beach, Kahuku, home school families, Asia Pacific International School, La'ie, Hau'ula and Ka'a'awa Elementary Schools.

Where:

Reading can be done at home or on campus during after school club meetings, depending what each school chooses to offer. Practices in January - March culminate in a district competition (location TBD) in April.

How:

Parent volunteer coaches will promote, recruit, schedule, track and encourage the teams from each school. Volunteers may also work with staff members to schedule practices that best fit their own school. In years past, coaches met once a month for the first couple months of the program and then increased meeting times to once a week leading up to the school and district competitions.

Previous coaches from schools with existing programs are ready to help any new volunteers with information on how to create a school program.

Why:

To promote literacy and love of reading for the families of children living in Ko'olauloa and practice study skills and teamwork.

Does it cost anything to participate in the Battle of the Books?

This competition is completely free! School librarians, principals and parents may consider purchasing extra copies of the Battle of the Books titles to accommodate more teams, but the titles can also be requested for free using the Hawaii State Public Library System. Please see reading list for special notes about out-of-print books and donated copies of a local book.

Do students need to read all the Battle of the Books titles for their division?

No, students can read the titles that are suited for their reading level. Collectively, the team should have read all the books on their division list for the best chance at the competitions.

Is there an easier way for coaches to get the books?

Book Bundles are available for long-term loans for coaches at participating schools. Please contact Tamara King for more information about the BOB Book Bundles. These extra copies are courtesy of a State of Hawaii Grant in Aid and the Friends of the Library of Kahuku.

Many titles are available digitally (ebooks) via the Dept of Education's Sora app or the library's Libby app.

Some books are also available as audio books.