



~ SLAM Jr. ~

Student Literacy and Media Showcase and Showdown



Grades 1-2

SLAM Jr. is a reading program for all K-12 students in HCPS schools. Students are encouraged to read the books nominated by the Sunshine State Young Readers Association and the Florida Reading Association. They are invited to respond by creating SLAM projects in 2D or video format. Details are on the back. Students can also earn brag tags for reading and completing activities, showcase their SLAM projects, and compete in a SLAM Showdown with other classes.

Grades K-2 TITLES	AUTHOR	Nominated by	Teacher Signature	Brag Tag
The Three Billy Goats Gruff	Barnett, Mac	SSYRA		
Knight Owl	Denise, Christopher	SSYRA		
Bug on the Rug	Gholz, Sophia	SSYRA		
A Mouthful of Minnows	Hare, John	SSYRA		
Maybe...	Haughton, Chris	SSYRA		
When Glitter Met Glue	Kilpatrick, Karen	SSYRA		
Tomatoes in My Lunchbox	Manoli, Costantia	SSYRA & FRA		
Not That Pet	Prasadam-Hall, Smriti	SSYRA		
Big Truck, Little Island	Van Dusen, Chris	SSYRA		
Chickadee Criminal Mastermind	Silvie, Monica	SSYRA		
Doggo and Pupper	Applegate, Katherine	SSYRA		
Cornbread and Poppy	Cordell, Matthew	SSYRA		
Beak and Ally Unlikely Friends	Feuti, Norm	SSYRA		
Sir Ladybug	Tabor, Cory	SSYRA		
Bibbidi Bobbidi Academy: Rory and the Magical Mix-Ups	George, Kallie	SSYRA		
A Park Connects Us	Nelson, Sarah	FRA		
A Little Ferry Tale	Otis, Chad	FRA		
D Is for Drool	Noll, Amanda & Dash Greenspan, Shari	FRA		
If Tigers Disappeared	Williams, Lily	FRA		
My Football Family	Holloway, Andy	FRA		
Our Planet!	McAnulty, Stacy	FRA		
School Is Wherever I Am	Peterson, Ellie	FRA		
Ten Blocks to the Big Wok	Hu, Ying-Hwa	FRA		
The Pet Potato	Lacey, Josh	FRA		

Students who complete activities for each book will receive a **Brag Tag**.

Limited copies of the books are available in our library. Books are available online in the Axis 360.

You can use the Axis 360 app (soon to become Boundless),
search for HCPS Schmidt Elementary, then log in with student number.

If you buy a SLAM book, please consider donating it to your classroom or our library.

All students will have more books to share when books are donated! 😊

Official SLAM Project Rules

Students may submit up to **THREE projects total.**

ALL Projects due -- Friday, January 19, 2024

SLAM Showcase -- Thursday, February 1, 2024

Video Project

- **Videos must be student-created.**
- **Videos must be one minute or less in length.**
- Videos must include pictures, sound, title, author and appropriate citations.
- Pictures and images must be student-created (no Google images).
- The cover of the book may be used, but not pictures from inside the book.
- Any songs or sound effects must be appropriately used and cited (Soundzabound library is a good source).
- The cover of the book may be used in the video but no illustrations from inside.
- Video format can be creative and original. Students may give a booktalk, make a trailer, sing an original song, act it out, use clay models and more. Other persons can be in the video but must be given credit for their appearance.
- Video editing software such as iMovie may be used with citations.
- K-2 students may work individually or as a class.

2D Project

- **Projects must be student-created only.**
- Projects must be no larger than 11 x 14 inches.
- Art must lay flat on paper.
- Student name, teacher name and book title should be written on BACK side.
- A Reader's Statement of at least one complete sentence must be included. It can include the student's connection to the book or inspiration for his/her art.
- The Reader's Statement must be no more than 300 words and must be written by student only. (Note—Reader's Statement blank form found on Pride Webpage>Resources>Media Center)



Ways to Show you Read



Read one of the SLAM Books.
Show what you read by completing one of these activities for each book.
Turn it into the library to earn a Brag Tag

SLAM Video Project

Create a one-minute or less video in response to the book that you read. You may use the cover, but no other pictures except those that you take or create. Video must include pictures, sound, and citations.

(may compete in SLAM Showcase!)

SLAM 2D Project

Create a work of art that responds to the book you read. Make sure it is no bigger than 11x14 inches. Include a Reader's Statement which explains your art.

(may compete in SLAM Showcase!)

Comic Strip of Story

Tell the story through a comic strip that you create. Include pictures and words.

Meet the Characters

List the characters in your book and introduce them through a short description of who they are and what they are like.

Graphic Organizer

Create bubbles to list and describe characters, places, and events in the book and connect them.

Trivia Quiz

Make a quiz with your own questions about the book. Include four possible answers and give a key to the correct answers at the bottom.

Book Talk to the Class

Give your friends a taste of the story! Describe what is about, but don't give away the ending! Can you convince them to read your book?

Story Map

Create a map of the places where the story took place. List important events that happened in each place.

Journal Entry

How did you connect with this book? Is it important? Why? What lesson did you learn from this story? Write at least one paragraph.

Write a letter to the author

Check the author's website for contact information. Write a thoughtful letter using your best spelling and grammar and express your feelings about the book. Then send it!