



SLAM Jr. is a reading program for all K-12 students in HCPS schools. At Pride Elementary, students are encouraged to read the books below, all nominated by the Sunshine State Young Readers Association. Students respond by creating SLAM projects in 2D or video format. Details are on the back.

| Grades K-2 TITLES          | AUTHOR              | Points<br>Earned | Teacher Signature | Brag<br>Tag |
|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| The Electric Slide and Kai | Kelly Baptist       |                  |                   |             |
| Cranky Chicken             | Katherine Battersby |                  |                   |             |
| Invasion of the Unicorns   | David Biedrzycki    |                  |                   |             |
| Mad About Meatloaf         | Maureen Fergus      |                  |                   |             |
| The Littlest Yak           | Lu Fraser           |                  |                   |             |
| Ten Beautiful Things       | Molly Beth Griffin  |                  |                   |             |
| What if, Pig?              | Linzie Hunter       |                  |                   |             |
| Missed Meal Mayhem         | Jarrett Lerner      |                  |                   |             |
| Ivy Lost and Found         | Cynthia Lord        |                  |                   |             |
| Chester Van Chime Who      | Avery Monson        |                  |                   |             |
| Forgot How to Rhyme        |                     |                  |                   |             |
| The Sneaking, Hiding,      | Nathan Pyle         |                  |                   |             |
| Vibrating Creature         |                     |                  |                   |             |
| Chez Bob                   | Bob Shea            |                  |                   |             |
| Mel Fell                   | Corey R. Tabor      |                  |                   |             |
| The Middle Kid             | Steven Weinberg     |                  |                   |             |
| Someone Builds the Dream   | Lisa Wheeler        |                  |                   |             |

Students have choices for showing how they read. Teachers assign points from 0-10 for each project based on student effort. Students who earn at least seven points will receive a **Brag Tag** for this book.  $\bigcirc$ 

Limited copies of the print books are available in the Pride Library. Books are also available online in the Axis 360 Library. You can download the Axis 360 app, search for HCPS Pride Elementary, then log in with student number.

Axis 360 books are available as e-books and some as audiobooks.

## **Official SLAM Project Rules**

## 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).
- 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 and VivoVideo may be used with citations.
- K-2 students may work individually, in groups of two or three, 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.
- Reader's Statement must not exceed 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. You will receive up to 10 points for each project, based on your effort.

| SLAM Video Project  | SLAM 2D Project  |  |  |
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| Create a one-minute or less video in<br>response to the book that you read. You<br>may use the cover, but no other pictures<br>except those that you take or create. Video<br>must include pictures, sound, and<br>citations. | Create a work of art that responds to the<br>book you read. Make sure it is no bigger<br>than 11x14 inches. Include a Reader's<br>Statement which explains your art.                   |  |  |
| (may compete in SLAM Showcase!)   | (may compete in SLAM Showcase!)  |  |  |
| Comic Strip of Story  | Meet the Characters  |  |  |
| Tell the story through a comic strip that<br>you create. Include pictures and words.  | List the characters in your book and<br>introduce them through a short description<br>of who they are and what they are like.  |  |  |
| Graphic Organizer   | Trivia Quiz  |  |  |
| Create bubbles to list and describe<br>characters, places, and events in the book<br>and connect them.  | Make a quiz with your own questions about<br>the book. Include four possible answers<br>and give a key to the correct answers at the<br>bottom.  |  |  |
| Book Talk to the Class  | Story Map  |  |  |
| Give your friends a taste of the story!<br>Describe what is about, but don't give away<br>the ending! Can you convince them to read<br>your book?   | Create a map of the places where the story<br>took place. List important events that<br>happened in each place.  |  |  |
| Journal Entry   | Write a letter to the author   |  |  |
| How did you connect with this book? Is it<br>important? Why? What lesson did you learn<br>from this story? Write at least one<br>paragraph.   | Check the author's website for contact<br>information. Write a thoughtful letter using<br>your best spelling and grammar and<br>express your feelings about the book. Then<br>send it! |  |  |