

SLAM Showcase Official Guidelines for Participation

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION

Purpose: To read and celebrate Florida award nominated books for each grade level

By entering the SLAM Showcase, entrants accept and agree to be bound by these Official Rules as well as the requirements for their specific division and category. Entries which do not meet the general and/or category specific guidelines are subject to disqualification.

ELIGIBILITY: Students must attend Hillsborough County Public Schools in grades K-12. Students must participate through their library media center.

DIVISIONS: Students may enter in the appropriate division, having created work(s) inspired by a book in the appropriate list for their grade. Students may enter in only one division.

- Grades K-2 Division –SSYRA, Jr. and FLA nominee books (current year)
- Grades 3-5 Division –SSYRA (3-5) nominee books (current year)
- Grades 6-8 Division –SSYRA (6-8) nominee books (current year)
- Grades 9-12 Division –Florida Teens Read nominee books (current year)

CATEGORIES: Students may enter the SLAM Showcase multiple times and in more than one category. Students who submit multiple entries must have works inspired by different books from the appropriate division list(s).

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- **Creativity:** Each entry must be the **original work** of the student. An adult may not alter the creative integrity of a student's work. Because the program is designed to encourage and recognize each student's creativity and personal connection to the literature, help from an adult is not allowed, except for specific accommodations allowed for in the Grades K-2 Division and in the Guidelines for Participation for Students with Disabilities.
- **Reader's Statement:** Each entry must include a Reader's Statement. The Reader's Statement communicates how the piece was inspired by one of the Florida award nominated books. The Reader's Statement must include at least one sentence but may not exceed 300 words.
- **Copyright:** Your SLAM Showcase entry must not use video, music, or images that you do not have the right to use. Entrants are responsible for copyright considerations. Entries without appropriate copyright permissions and/or plagiarized entries will be disqualified.
- **Division/Category Guidelines:** Each entry must also follow all of the appropriate Division and Category Guidelines.

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GRADES K-2 DIVISION GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION

Grades K-2 Division Reader's Statement Accommodation: In the Grades K-2 Division, the Reader's Statement may be dictated to another person and typed in exact words as spoken by the student. (Transcribers should make every attempt to retain the same level of language and accuracy that is reflected in the student's words).

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VIDEO CREATIVE EXPRESSION STUDENT CATEGORY

- Make a video for one of the current year's SSYRA, Jr. or FLA nominee books
- Individual and group projects are accepted. Groups are limited to a maximum of 3 students.
- Maximum length for the video is one (1) minute.
- Video must include images/video, sound, title and author, and a book citation within the video. Books covers can only be used within the video for SSYRA Jr. titles.
- Entry must be appropriate for "G" rated audiences.
- Must be submitted in MP4, MOV or WMV format.
- Entries must also follow all General Guideline Rules.

VIDEO CREATIVE EXPRESSION CLASS CATEGORY

- As a class, make a video for one of the current year's SSYRA, Jr. or FLA nominee books
- Maximum length for the video is one (1) minute.
- Video must include images/video, sound, title and author, and book citation within the video. Books covers can only be used within the video for SSYRA Jr. titles.
- Entry must be appropriate for "G" rated audiences.
- Must be submitted in MP4, MOV or WMV format.
- Entries must also follow all General Guideline Rules.

2D CREATIVE EXPRESSION STUDENT CATEGORY

- Create 2D Art or 2D Creative Expression for one of the current year's SSYRA, Jr. or FLA nominee books
- Only individual projects are accepted.
- 2D media only. Accepted media is drawings, paintings, collage and digital media. 3D media cannot be accepted, including relief.
- Work must be mounted or matted on sturdy material and not exceed 11"x14" (mat included)
- Entry must be appropriate for "G" rated audiences.
- Entries must also follow all General Guideline Rules.

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GRADES 3-5 DIVISION GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION

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VIDEO CREATIVE EXPRESSION STUDENT CATEGORY

- Make a video for one of the current year's SSYRA (3-5) nominee books
- Individual and group projects are accepted. Groups are limited to a maximum of 3 students.
- Maximum length for the video is one (1) minute.
- Videos must include images/video, sound, title and author, and a book citation within the video. The book cover image can also be used, but is not a requirement.
- Entry must be appropriate for "G" rated audiences.
- Must be submitted in MP4, MOV or WMV format.
- Entries must also follow all General Guideline Rules

2D CREATIVE EXPRESSION STUDENT CATEGORY

- Create 2D Art or other 2D Creative Expression for one of the current year's SSYRA (3-5) nominee books
- Only individual projects are accepted.
- 2D media only. Accepted media is drawings, paintings, collage and digital media. 3D media cannot be accepted, including relief.
- Work must be mounted or matted on sturdy material and not exceed 11"x14" (mat included)
- Entry must be appropriate for "G" rated audiences.
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3D CREATIVE EXPRESSION STUDENT CATEGORY

- Create 3D Art or other 3D Creative Expression for one of the current year's SSYRA (3-5) nominee books
- Only individual projects are accepted.
- Examples of 3D Creative Expression include, but are not limited to, Ceramics, Sculpture, Mixed Media, Fine Crafts (jewelry, stained glass, mosaic), Robotics, Diorama, Board Game, etc.
- 3D Creative Expression works must be stable and not exceed 2'X2'X2' and 20 lbs. Student must be able to transport, carry and set up their 3D work.
- Entry must be appropriate for "G" rated audiences.
- Entries must also follow all General Guideline Rules.

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GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

HOW TO ENTER: Students who identify as having a disability have two options for entering the SLAM Showcase.

Option 1: Enter in Grade-Level Division: Students may enter in their grade level division using the reading list(s) applicable to their assigned grade level. Students are afforded access to accommodations, as needed, as identified in their IEP or 504 Plans. Students in the Grade-Level Divisions complete all required activities and are recognized as part of the general student population.

Option 2: Enter in Grade-Level Division as a Special Reader: Participation as a Special Reader offers every student the opportunity to participate using books from the grade level reading lists most appropriate for them, in a manner that promotes inclusive practices. Eligible students entering as Special Readers are not required to complete all activities as those required for the general student population. Special Readers create their own unique work product inspired by a book from the reading list most appropriate for them. These works may be in the form of a 2D Creative Expression or Video Creative Expression which allows the Special Reader to express an aspect of the book they have chosen. Students are afforded access to accommodations, as needed, and as identified in their IEP. Students are recognized as Special Reader participants in their Grade-Level Divisions.