

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.