

September 20, 2024



Hello B.O.B. Coordinators!

We are excited for the 2024-2025 Battle of the Books school year held at **The California Living Museum Zoo (CALM)**. Yes, we have a **NEW LOCATION!** Please help us abide by their rules regarding trash and avoiding disturbing the animals. The more books a student reads, the more fun they will have at the final B.O.B. competition. The benefits of reading practice over a variety of genres can only enhance a student's learning.

Please verify that students have qualified by completing the minimum number of titles before they are permitted to attend the final B.O.B. competition.

Third Grade must complete 12/14 titles from

<https://www.battleofthebooks.org/book-list/book-list-3rd-grade-2024-25.php>

4th-6th Grade must complete 20/28 titles

<https://www.battleofthebooks.org/book-list/standard-28-book-list-4-6-grades-2024-25.php>

Junior High must complete 20/28 titles

<https://www.battleofthebooks.org/book-list/standard-28-book-list-6-8-grades-2024-25.php>

The method by which you verify that students have met the requirement is at your discretion. However, this year, we are requesting formal confirmation that students have met this requirement. It is essential to ensure fairness, as teams may be disadvantaged if all members have not completed the required reading. Be sure your students are reading from [America's Battle of the Books](#). Thank you for respecting the integrity of the B.O.B. program. If you need to purchase B.O.B. books, Russo's has them available www.russosbooks.com.

DATES, TIMES, & LOCATION

Monday, May 5, 2025	Central Kern County Battle of the Books 4th-6th grade
Tuesday, May 6, 2025	South Kern County Battle of the Books 4th-6th grade
Wednesday, May 7, 2025	Kern County Battle of the Books 3rd grade
Thursday, May 8, 2025	North Kern County Battle of the Books 4th-6th grade
Friday, May 9, 2025	Kern County Battle of the Books Junior High

8:30am-1:00pm for all divisions
@CALM Zoo (10500 Alfred Harrell Hwy)

Schools must register and pay for every 30 participants, meaning that 1-30 students = 1 team, 31-60 = 2 teams, so on and so forth.

Please send your registration form per team (on page 2 of this letter) and \$50 fee per team to Kern County Battle of the Books C/O Alana Tinsley at the below address. *The registration fee covers the costs to run the event.* **We must receive the entrance fee checks no later than Friday, November 1, 2024, for your school to participate.** Please consider this email as your billing invoice for the entrance fee; **all checks should be made payable to Kern County Battle of the Books.**

*Please note that anyone who is NOT on the volunteer list will pay the Group Rate for Admission fee of \$9.00 per person to enter the competition to view the competition.

Sincerely,

The Kern County Battle of the Books Directors

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Kern County Battle of the Books Registration Form 2024-2025

School Name _____

District Name _____

Coordinator's Name _____

Coordinator's Email _____

Registering for (please circle one). Please complete one registration form for each team and/or division.

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Friday, May 9, 2025 Junior High Kern County

*If you are unsure of what region you are in, please visit kcsos.org

Checks should be made payable to Kern County Battle of the Books.

Please send your \$50 registration fee **by November 1, 2024** to:

**Kern County Battle of the Books
% Alana Tinsley
P.O. Box 5342
Bakersfield, CA 93388**

Kern County Battle of the Books is sponsored by
Kern County Superintendent of Schools, Kern Reading Association, and The California Living
Museum Zoo (CALM). We thank them for their support.

Please consider joining the Kern Reading Association! Check out their website:

<http://www.kernreadingassociation.org>