



**What is Junior Great Books?**

Junior Great Books (JGB) is an extracurricular, reading enrichment program open to 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students at Windsor. Children meet in informal groups with parent leaders to read and discuss selected short stories. The stories include fairytales and folktales from around the globe. Through these stories, students are introduced to themes and prose from other cultures in a setting that encourages critical thinking and fosters a LOVE of reading!

**When will students meet for Junior Great Books?**

The Junior Great Books program will run from the week of January 17 (begins on Tuesday, Jan. 18) through the week of March 14, leading right into Spring Break for a total of 8 sessions. Sessions will be on Tuesdays through Fridays. We will try to accommodate day requests. During their indoor JGB discussion session, children will be masked and spaced just as they are in the classrooms. Sessions are held during the recess portion of lunch in an assigned spot in a classroom or the library.

**What does my child need and how do I sign up?**

Children need official Junior Great Books grade level specific series books (available for purchase for \$22.00). We provide all of the OTHER supplies the students need at no cost, which will be distributed in a JGB bag they can use. Children will be reminded to bring their book bags to school on the day of their scheduled meetings. Stories are read at home ahead of time for the purpose of discussion and activity during the meeting time once a week.

**\*\*\*\*\*PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTOM OF THIS FORM FILLED OUT WITH \$22.00 CASH OR CHECK BY WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER, 17. \*\*\*\*\***

**Who leads the groups?**

Parent volunteers! We NEED YOU! No experience necessary. We can train you briefly on what to do with the children. It's a fun and rewarding volunteer opportunity! All volunteers need to be background checked through the district office and for this year will also need to provide proof of Covid vaccination. Please indicate on this form if you would like to be a new or returning volunteer!

**Can I donate any old Junior Great Books or can I borrow a book or book series for my child?**

YES you can donate! And maybe you can borrow. Please email Leah Ross ([lraeross6@gmail.com](mailto:lraeross6@gmail.com)) if you have books from previous years that you would like to donate. Through donation we often have books to loan to those who request. Please request a loaned book if necessary and we can possibly provide based on order of request and limited supply. Email Leah.

**Any other questions? Email Leah!**

**Child's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher/Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mark ALL available days your child can meet during lunch recess:**

\_\_\_\_\_ TUES    \_\_\_\_\_ WED    \_\_\_\_\_ THURS    \_\_\_\_\_ FRI

\_\_\_\_\_ I am ordering a book. Enclosed is \$22.00.

\_\_\_\_\_ I already have a copy of my child's grade level book. (e-mail Leah to be sure it's the correct series).

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to volunteer to lead a group **NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**day(s) of the week available to lead:** \_\_\_\_ Tues \_\_\_\_ Wed \_\_\_\_ Th \_\_\_\_ Fri