What does a team manager do?
The team manager will serve as a liaison between the team and the libraries. The team manager is responsible for filling out the registration form, keeping the team members motivated, and arranging meetings with their team. Team managers are also welcome to attend the Battle on the big day.

What is the procedure for the Battle?
The Battle will be held Thursday, March 19, 2020 at the Chartiers Valley Middle School at 1:00 PM. Team members can be dressed alike if they choose. There are 3 rounds. Each round consists of 5 questions, or 1 question per book (tie breaker questions will be used only if necessary). The moderator will read a question. The team will have 30 seconds to decide and write an answer. The answer to each question will be a book title and the author’s last name.

Each question is worth a possible 5 points:
- 4 points for a correct book title
- 1 point for the correct author’s last name.

Answers must be spelled correctly to receive points. Answers must be written exactly as indicated on “Answer Sheet.”

Registration deadline is: February 28, 2020
Questions? Call!

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Chartiers Valley’s Seventh Annual
BATTLE OF THE BOOKS
Middle (Grade 6, 7 & 8)
Thursday, March 19, 2020 @ 1:00 pm

What is Battle of the Books?
The Battle of the Books is a program designed to encourage reading and give recognition to those who like to read. All team members read from the same list of selected books. They then compete with other teams by answering questions based on the books.

Who may participate?
Students from Chartiers Valley in 6, 7 & 8 grade may compete. Participants must organize their own teams of two or three students and submit a registration form to Scott or Bridgeville Public Library. Each team must select a manager.

Registration
Registration deadline is February 28, 2020. Registration forms may be picked up or downloaded at participating sites. Sponsored by Scott & Bridgeville Public Libraries.

How to prepare:
Plan a strategy, read books from the list provided, memorize the way titles & authors must be written for the battle, choose a team name and design shirts or costumes if you want. The team with the best costumes gets a special prize. Win a trophy or certificate for participating. Have fun!
**Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster**
by Jonathan Auxier
Pub. 2018 --- 368 pages

Orphaned Nan Sparrow works as a chimney sweep in nineteenth-century England. After becoming trapped in a chimney fire, she wakes to find herself in an abandoned attic with a golem made of soot and ash.

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**The Inquisitor’s Tale: Or, The Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog**
by Adam Gidwitz
Pub. 2018 --- 400 pages

On a dark night in 1242, travelers from across France cross paths at an inn and begin to tell stories of three children and their adventures with history, religion, and farting dragons.

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**Pashmina**
by Nidhi Chanani
Pub. 2017 --- 176 pages

Priyanka Das finds a mysterious pashmina tucked away in a forgotten suitcase. When she wraps herself in it, she is transported to a place more vivid and colorful than any guidebook or Bollywood film. But is this the real India?

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**The Secret Sheriff of Sixth Grade**
by Jordan Sonnenblick
Pub. 2019 --- 208 pages

Maverick is an unlikely hero. He is short, a bully magnet, and his home life is a mess. But he has a huge heart, and he will stand up for other kids, whether they like it or not. The plot contains references to violence and alcohol abuse.

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**Greenglass House**
by Kate Milford
Pub. 2016 --- 400 pages

At a smuggler’s inn, 12-yr-old Milo, the innkeepers’ adopted son, plans to spend his holidays relaxing, but soon guests arrive with strange stories about the house, sending Milo and his new friend on an adventure.