

Reading Club Program Guidelines 2013-2014

Requirements for Participation

- Be a current Bradford Academy Student in 3rd to 12th grade with a desire to participate
- Be approved for participation by Bradford Academy Administration
- Attend and compete in Southfield's Battle of the Books Yearly Tournament (4th-8th grades)
- Attend and compete in any scheduled, communicated tournaments (3rd -12th grades)
- Provide required books*
- Complete registration

**Book Purchase Program available for additional fee. See "Cost of Program" section.*

Registration

Complete registration is required by all students prior to participation.

- Application/Information Sheet
- Permission Slip & Agreement
- Payment or Program Payment*

** Payment plans are available upon request. Limited funding assistance may be available based on need.*

Attendance & Pick up Policy

Program participants are required to attend all schedule practices on time unless excused by the coach in advance. Excessive absence and/or tardiness may result in participation restriction or exclusion from the team.

Program participants are required to be picked up promptly at practice dismissal. Elementary & Middle School Participants will be dismissed to a parent at the designated exit and must be received by a person designated on registration paperwork. High School Participants will be released at dismissal and must promptly leave the school grounds.

Program participants who are not picked up or who do not leave promptly at dismissal time will be given one (1) written warning. If there is a second offense, program participant will not be permitted to participate in any program activities. Elementary & Middle School Participants will be re-admitted if proof of enrollment in Bradford's After School Program is received. If a student is no longer allowed to participate, program payment will not be refunded and may be restricted from future participation.

Practices *September 22, 2014 thru April 1, 2015*

- Elementary & Middle School ~ Mondays & Wednesdays 3:15-4:30 p.m.
- High School ~ Tuesdays & Thursdays 2:30-3:30 p.m.
- Additional practices will be scheduled and communicated as needed closer to competition dates.

Program participants are required to promptly attend practices and be ready to participate productively. A snack will be provided to participants at the beginning of practice. Participants are expected to behave in a respectful, responsible and safe manner that supports the academic excellence of the team. Participants whose behavior is not in compliance will receive one verbal and written warning. Any subsequent, repeat infractions may result in removal from the program and any program related activities. If participant is removed from program for non-compliant behavior, program payment is not refundable.

Reading Requirements

Program participants are expected to read and discuss at least one book each month. A list of books that are required will be provided in a manner that will allow timely purchase. Participants are responsible for acquiring books and are required to complete assignments before practices. Bradford Academy PTA offers a book purchase package (see *Cost of Program*). Students who successfully complete the 2014-2015 Reading Club year will be invited to attend year-end celebration.

Cost of Program - \$50*

- Reading Club Shirt
- Materials needed for practices
- Year-end celebration

**Note: Optional book purchase package is available for additional \$35. Cost will cover purchase & delivery of all books used for the program.*

Family Involvement

Family/parental involvement is encouraged and often helpful in preparation for practice as well as during practices. Volunteers are needed. Contact PTA Office for more information.

Battle of the Books & Other Tournaments

Program participants are required to wear the team's "Bradford Academy Reading Club" shirt with an appropriately fitting pair of pants or skirt. Transportation to and from the Battle of the Books in Southfield may be provided.