Battle of the Books FAQ

What is the Battle of the Books?

It's a fun and exciting reading competition for students in grades 4-6! This is the 15th year for this event at the Canton Free Library (CFL).

Who can be on a team?

Teams consist of up to four students, and may include students from just one grade or from mixed grades, but they must be in grades 4-6. Teams may be mixed---made up of students who attend different area schools or who are home schooled. Teams must have an adult coach.

Who can be a coach?

Any adult who can fulfill the duties may coach - parent, teacher, grandparent, etc. See "Coaches Duties" sheet for details.

What is the competition about?

Over the next months, teams read the 16 books on the list, and may divide the list as they like amongst team members. During the spring competition in Canton, the teams will compete against one another. The event begins at 10am and usually runs into early afternoon. See attached rules for details on the competition.
The winning team will go on to a regional Battle in Gouverneur to face other winning teams from the North Country Library System!

Where do I find the books on the list?

The Canton Free Library and Canton middle school library both have copies of the books set aside in special displays. Ask if you need help finding the one you need! Most other public libraries in the system also carry the books. There are also copies of the ebook available through the library's website.

Where do I go with questions about this competition?

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