

South Texas ISD  
Rules and Regulations for Region One ESC  
Battle of the Books 2021-2022

**Eligibility**

- The Region One ESC Battle of the Books competition is open to all STISD students.
- Students in grades 6-8 may compete in the middle school division.
- Students in grades 9-12 may compete in the high school division.
- The four top-scoring students on the January 2022 online test will comprise a district team for each grade level competition.
- A team is comprised of three students and one alternate.
- An alternate member is optional.

**Battle of the Books Reading List**

- The official list of books to be read will be posted on all the district library websites.
- The book selections are based on state award book lists.
- Ebook copies of each title will be available for checkout through OverDrive

**Coaching**

- South Texas ISD librarians will help prepare students for competition by providing various online activities from October 2021 – February 2022.

**Procedures**

**Round One**

- January 2022.
- 40 question online test. (*Google Form*)
- 12 minute time limit.
- Questions provided by STISD librarians.
- Students will complete online test independently.
- Testing on all four books for middle school – ten questions/book.
- Testing on all four books for high school – ten questions/book.
- Students advancing to Region One competition will receive t-shirts.
- Superintendent Cup points will be awarded to top-scoring students' campuses. (*Points TBA*)
- District middle school traveling trophy will be displayed at each team member's campus for six months.
- District high school traveling trophy will be displayed at each team member's campus for a minimum of three months.

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**Round Two**

- Region One competition, February 2022. (*Dates TBA*)
- Competition format (*online or face-to-face*) TBA.
- Competition will be held during the school day.
- One STISD middle school team will compete against other school districts.
- One STISD high school team will compete against other school districts.
- Questions will be provided by Region One committee.
- Number of questions to be determined.
- Testing on all four books for middle school.
- Testing on all four books for high school.

**Online Sign-Up**

- Complete [Online Sign-Up Form](#)

**Region One ESC Middle School Battle of the Books  
2021-2022**

*Black Brother, Black Brother* by Jewell Parker Rhodes

*Dead Voices* by Katherine Arden

*Ground Zero* by Alan Gratz

*How to Disappear Completely* by Ali Standish

**Region One ESC High School Battle of the Books  
2021-2022**

*Furia* by Yamile Saied Mendez

*A Good Girls Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson

*Poisoned* by Jennifer Donnelly

*Tokyo Ever After* by Emiko Jean