

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS | STISD 2026-2027

READ • COMPETE • REPRESENT YOUR CAMPUS

WHO?

All STISD students
Grades 6-8 / 9-12

WHAT?

1 Campus Team
4 students

ROUND 1

Nov. 18 HS
Nov. 19 MS

DISTRICT

Jan. 22, 2027

HOW IT WORKS

Round 1-CAMPUS

Independent online test
40 questions • 12 minutes
Top 4 scorers make team

Round 2-DISTRICT

Team competition
Online + round robin
All 4 books

Round 3-REGIONAL

February 2027
1 MS + 1 HS STISD team
All 4 books

ELIGIBILITY + READING

- Open to all STISD students.
- Middle School: Grades 6-8. High School: Grades 9-12.
- Campus teams compete in district; district winners advance to Regionals.
- Book selections are provided by Region One Library Services.
- Round One participants receive copies; eBooks may be available through Sora.

COACHING + ROUND ONE

- STISD librarians will prepare students with practice activities.
- High School test: November 18, 2026.
- Middle School test: November 19, 2026.
- Students test independently online: 40 questions, 12-minute limit.
- Questions are provided by STISD librarians.
- Top four highest-scoring students form the campus team.

ROUND ONE BOOKS — READ THESE FIRST

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Felice and the Wailing Women — Diana Lopez
War Games — Alan Gratz

HIGH SCHOOL

Sunrise on the Reaping — Suzanne Collins
Loch Ness Uncovered — Rebecca Siegel

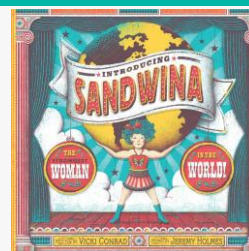
MIDDLE SCHOOL TITLES



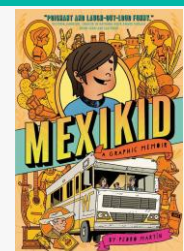
Felice and the Wailing Women
by Diana Lopez



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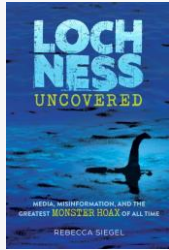


Introducing Sandwina
by Vicki Conrad



Mexikid
by Pedro Martin

HIGH SCHOOL TITLES



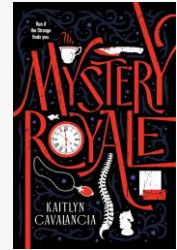
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Rebecca Siegel



Sunrise on the Reaping
by Suzanne Collins



Hearts Overboard
by Becky Dean



Mystery Royale
by Kaitlyn Cavallancia

DISTRICT + REGIONAL COMPETITION

ROUND TWO | DISTRICT

- January 22, 2027
- Competition is held during the school day.
- Advancing students receive T-shirts.
- Competition is based on all four books.
- Teams compete online and in a round robin.
- Questions provided by Region One Battle of the Books Committee.
- Top MS and HS teams represent STISD at regional competitions.
- Winning-team trophies will be displayed at the campus.

ROUND THREE | REGIONAL

- February 23 –26, 2027
- Competition is held during the school day.
- One STISD middle school team competes against other districts.
- One STISD high school team competes against other districts.
- Questions provided by Region One Battle of the Books Committee.
- Number of questions to be determined by Region One.
- Competition covers all four books.

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Es norma del Distrito Independiente de South Texas de no discriminar en sus programas, servicios o actividades vocacionales y brinda igualdad de acceso a los Boy Scouts y otros grupos juveniles designados por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo o impedimento, tal como lo requieren el Título VI de la Ley de Derechos Civiles de 1964, según enmienda; Título IX de las Enmiendas en la Educación de 1972, y la Sección 504 de la Ley de Rehabilitación de 1973, según enmienda.

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