

IT'S THE GREAT PUMPKIN, HEBRON VALLEY!

🎃 At Hebron Valley, we're combining the fun of fall with our love of reading! We're excited to announce our Storybook Pumpkin Decorating Contest on Thursday, October 29! Students are invited to transform a pumpkin into a favorite storybook character and help us create a Storybook Pumpkin Patch for the library! Teachers and students will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite pumpkins. Participation is completely optional and open to all students. Winners will receive a small prize and recognition on our HVSA Facebook page!

Contest Rules & Guidelines

1. Choose a book and read it—on your own or with a family member.
2. Choose one character from the book to recreate as a pumpkin.
3. Use a small- to medium-sized pumpkin that your student can carry independently. Plastic pumpkins are highly recommended!
4. Get creative! You can paint, glue, draw, and add decorations to bring your character to life. **NO CARVED PUMPKINS** will be accepted.
5. Turn in your pumpkin with the attached Pumpkin Companion Sheet to be eligible for the contest. Kinder and 1st grade students may have help completing their sheet.
6. Write the student's name and teacher's name on the **BOTTOM** of the pumpkin so it remains hidden during voting. This is very important!

Pumpkin Decorating Tips

- Acrylic paint and permanent markers work best.
- Watercolors tend to run, and some spray paints can damage plastic pumpkins.
- Hot glue usually works well, as long as the pumpkin's surface isn't too waxy.
- Feel free to use yarn, buttons, googly eyes, stickers, cardboard, felt, pipe cleaners, fabric, or anything else that helps bring your character to life!

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Turn-In & Pick-Up

Please bring your completed pumpkin and Pumpkin Companion Sheet to the library starting **Monday October 19th**, and no later than **Thursday, October 29.**

Students may also display the book that inspired their pumpkin, but this is not required. Books may be borrowed from the library, or students may bring a personal copy. If sending a personal book, please write the student's name inside so we can make sure it is returned.

⚠️ Pumpkins must be picked up by 3:00 PM on Friday, October 30, 2026. Any pumpkins remaining after that time will be discarded.

Here are some samples:



Please send your pumpkin & pumpkin companion sheet between October 19th-October 29th.

DEADLINE TO TURN IN: Friday, OCTOBER 29th.