

## WHAT IS EXPECTED OF A BATTLE OF THE BOOKS VOLUNTEER?

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### **Question: What is involved in being a volunteer?**

There are several volunteer positions needed for BOB: emcee(question reader), room monitor, runner, greeter, timekeeper, parking attendant/lunch monitor and scorekeeper.

- Emcees read the questions in each battle round and award points to the correct team
- Timekeepers make sure that teams answer within the time allotted
- Scorekeepers keep track of the score throughout each match
- Room monitors count tickets at the door to each room to obey fire code regulations, and keep order in their room
- Runners deliver the scores from the rooms to the main scorekeeper
- Greeters welcome volunteers, coaches, parents and participants on Battle Day
- Parking attendants/lunch monitors help people find parking spaces in the morning and help serve lunch in the afternoon

### **Question: Do I have to stay all day?**

**Answer:** No, but it would be nice if people could. With that said, if someone can only volunteer in the morning, I would rather we have that person for only a few hours, than not at all.

### **Question: Who can I get to volunteer?**

**Answer:** Think about your colleagues: pages/clerks/directors/etc., your Friends of the Library members, Library Board Members, School Librarian, etc. Maybe your town has an organization that has teens looking for community service. Think about asking your teen's or children's favorite teachers. Ask your team's older siblings, or the teens that are voracious readers that wanted to be involved but missed the deadline or because you had too many kids already. There are an awful lot of potential people to ask, just think about it. Talk up the fact that this is a really fun program that is going to be very entertaining, and make sure that teens know they will get Community Service credit!!!

### **Question: How old do you have to be to volunteer?**

**Answer:** Anyone over 14, who is not already participating in BOB, can volunteer.