Dear 4th- 8th Grade Chameleons,

I am happy to announce the start of the 2018-2019 COLE/Battle of the Books program. This exciting literary activity is offered by our school to provide an opportunity for our students to read and report on challenging titles as they prepare to compete with other schools in the spring battle.

This activity is open to all 4th through 8th grade students who enjoy literature and are willing to read and report on a minimum of 12 books from this year’s Battle list. All students who meet this goal by January 31st, 2019 will qualify for placement on the team in our competition. Our winning teams from the Elementary and Middle school levels will compete in the district competition.

OK…what does my child need to do?

1. Sign and return the attached permission slip to Mrs. Ezell by September 6th.
2. Read four books and return journal forms to Mrs. Ezell by October 26th.
3. Receive a “Battle Form” from Mrs. Ezell when your first 4 sheets are approved.
4. Continue reading books from the list and turning in the journal sheets. See the “COLE Schedule” on the back side of this letter for more information and dates.

Battle of the Books can be found in our local library, on amazon, or at any local book store.

Battle of the Books is an activity that challenges children in all areas of literacy. The children need the support and encouragement of their families to ensure success and to teach valuable lessons about winning, losing, sportsmanship, and having fun. We are looking forward to this fun and challenging reading activity.

Sincerely,

Sherrell Branch-Ezell

Middle Grades Math/Science

COLE/Battle of the Books Coordinator

COLE/Battle of the Books Schedule

Permission Slips Due: Thursday, September 6, 2018

4 Journal Forms Due by: Thursday, October 25th, 2018

1st Battle Buddy Meet: Thursday, November 1, 2018 (3:30-4:30)

8 journals due by: Thursday, December 20st, 2018

2nd Battle Buddy Meet: Thursday, January 3th, 2019 (3:30-4:30)

School Competition: TBD

District Competition: TBD

COLE/Battle of the Books Permission Form

We would like to participate in COLE/Battle of the Books. We have read the invitation letter and understand the requirements for this activity.

Student Name (please print)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form on or before September 6, 2018. Once this is returned, students will be able to begin submitting journal forms.