

Panorama Elementary

Storytelling Festival

Date: Thursday, October 6th at 5:00pm, at the school

Storytelling is an art. Storytelling is talent. If you like telling stories, please join this competition. Two winners from each category (3rd-5th grade) will move on to the district competition.



Rules:

- Stories must be told from memory - not read aloud. (This does not mean they have to be memorized.)
- Props and costumes are NOT allowed.

3rd-5th Grade	K-2nd Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choose a story from one of the categories: <p>Mystery & Adventure Folk/Tall Tales & Legends</p> <p>Humorous Fantasy & Fairy Tales</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be 3-5 minutes long 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Choose a Nursery Rhyme ● Must be less than 3 minutes long

For more information including storytelling tips, story suggestions, judging criteria, and more, visit the school website at <https://pes.washk12.org>.

Sign me up! I want to participate in the Storytelling Festival.

Name _____ Teacher _____

Parent Signature _____

Circle your story's Category

Mystery & Adventure Folk/Tall Tales & Legends Humorous
Fantasy & Fairy Tales Nursery Rhyme (K-2nd Grade)

Story Title _____

COMPLETE AND RETURN TO THE OFFICE BY SEPTEMBER 28TH

Storytelling Festival Packet

Let's have some story time fun!

In this packet you will receive more rules with more clarity, there are tips, story ideas, and ways to prepare for the big day! Please read everything.

Your next steps:

1. You are on the program for our festival, Mrs. Beecher will support you. If you have any questions let her know. If you decide to cancel let her know.
2. Practice in front of crowds, because there is a chance you will have a crowd watching you during the competition. Ask your teacher if you can practice in front of your class.
3. Invite your family to come support your act! The date is **October 6th at 6:00pm** at the school. We will try to keep our event within a one hour or less time frame.

Storytelling Rules:

1. Stories must be told from memory - not read aloud. (This does not mean they have to be memorized.)
2. Stories may be told individually by a student.
3. Stories should be 3 to 5 minutes long. We will not cut off any storyteller, but a maximum of 8 minutes for all storytellers is suggested and the score will be affected. (K-2 nursery rhymes should be less than 3 minutes long.)
4. Props, costumes and/or music are NOT allowed.
5. Stories selected may come from books in your library or those you may have at home or even made-up by the student. Students can NOT change their story from the School festival to the District festival or they will be disqualified.
6. Two students from the same school may do the same story but will compete in the same category.
7. Winners are not selected collectively but rather from each category. There should be 2 winners from each category:

Humor

Fantasy

Adventure/Mystery

Folktale/Tall Tale

Storytelling Tips

1. Only tell stories you like. Storytelling is an art where your feelings are clearly apparent. The audience will know if you are not interested in your story. Children particularly cannot be fooled.
2. You should know the story through and through. Read it and tell it several times until you have all the parts memorized in your head and in your heart. Memorize the first and last lines so you have clearly defined ways to begin and end your story.
3. Warm up your voice before you begin telling stories. Recite poetry, practice your stories, sing -- do something to have your throat warm and your blood flowing so that your voice and breath do not disappear during a performance.
4. Dress and look your best to honor those who have come to watch your performance. Please remember that NO props or costumes are allowed.
5. Be ready to adjust your story just in case you forget a line. Always be prepared with more materials than you need.

Suggested Story Telling List	
<p>Folk/Tall Tales & Legends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Tortoise and the Hare ● The Fox and the Grapes ● Pecos Bill ● Paul Bunyan ● Johnny Appleseed ● Hercules ● The Sun and the Wind 	<p>Fantasy & Fairy Tales</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Little Red Riding Hood ● The Gingerbread Man ● Cinderella ● The Three Billy Goats Gruff ● The Little Red Hen ● The Ugly Duckling ● Jack and the Beanstalk
<p>Humorous</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How to Eat Fried Worms ● There's a Snake in the Toilet ● The Chocolate Touch ● Captain Underpants 	<p>Mystery & Adventure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Nancy Drew ● Sherlock Holmes ● Encyclopedia Brown ● Boxcar Children

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Godzilla Ate My Homework</i> ● <i>Makeup Mess</i> ● <i>The Principal's New Clothes</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>My Hairiest Adventure</i> ● <i>Weslandia</i> ● <i>Huckleberry Finn</i>
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Storytelling Judging Rating Sheet

Student Name _____

Story Title _____

Genre Category _____

Time _____

Introduction:

Did the storyteller grab and keep your attention?	1	2	3	4
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Delivery of Presentation:

Vocal Expression:	1	2	3	4
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Eye Contact:	1	2	3	4
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Knows the Story:	1	2	3	4
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Appropriate Gestures:	1	2	3	4
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Good Ending:	1	2	3	4
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Story Features:

Were the judges engaged?	1	2	3	4
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Was the story unique?	1	2	3	4
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Was it suitable for storytelling?	1	2	3	4
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Was the story 3-5 minutes?	1	2	3	4
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General Comments:

(Children will get these handed back to them).