

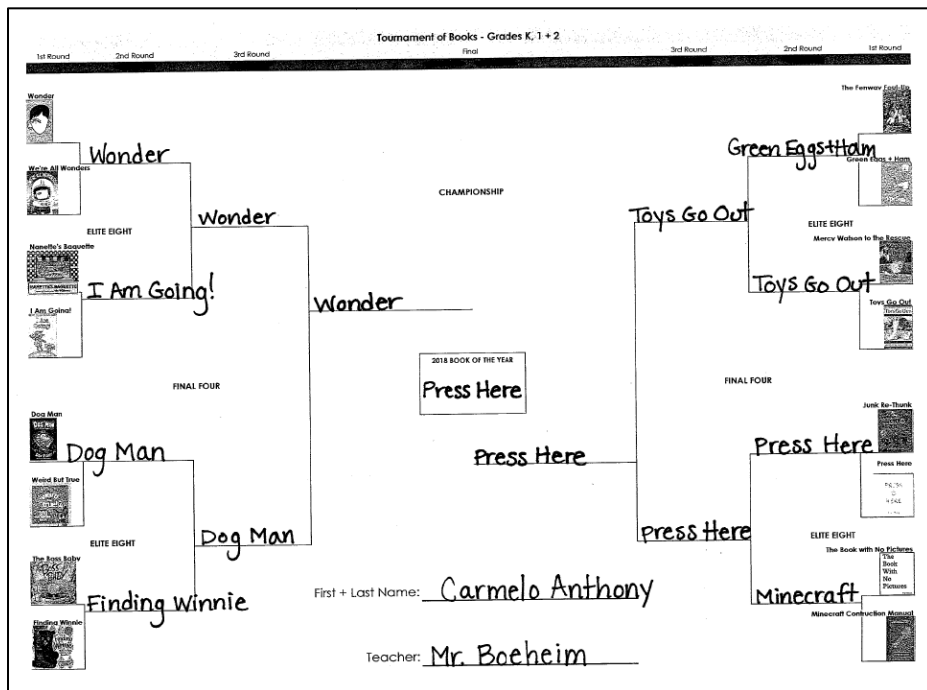
Library Olympics' Tournament of Books!

Dear K-2* Parents,

Park Road Elementary School's March/April **Library Olympics** program mimics that of the NCAA March Madness basketball tournament. Students are invited to complete a "book bracket" for our Tournament of Books. Books will "compete" for the title of 2019 Book of the Year.

Part 1 – Completing the Bracket

If your child would like to participate, please help him or her complete the attached bracket with his/her predictions for the winners of each "game." A sample completed bracket is pictured below.



Upon completing the bracket, your child may return it to the Park Road library, where it will be entered in March/April's Library Olympics contest. To be included in the contest, **all brackets must be returned by the end of the day on Wednesday, March 27**. Students with the most correct predictions will win the gold, silver, and bronze Library Olympics medals.

Part 2 – Voting for the Winners

Beginning March 27, various rounds of online voting will take place to determine the winners of each round of the Tournament of Books. If your child would like to vote on winners for each game, please see the link at the top of the Park Road library Web page (note: voting is not required to enter or win Library Olympics—it is a fun, optional part of this contest).

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When voting, please be sure to click on the link for the **K-2 Tournament of Books** (Grades 3-5 have a different bracket with different books). Voting will take place during the following time periods:

Round 1 (to determine the Elite Eight) – March 27 from 3 p.m. through April 4 at 3 p.m.

Round 2 (to determine the Final Four) – April 4 from 3 p.m. through April 8 at 3 p.m.

Round 3 (to determine the Semi-Final teams) – April 8 from 3 p.m. through April 10 at 3 p.m.

Round 4 (to determine the 2019 Book of the Year) – April 10 at 3 p.m. through April 12 at 3 p.m.

The screenshot shows the website for Park Road Elementary School Library. The main heading is "2019 Library Olympics Tournament of Books: VOTE BELOW!". Below this, there are two voting sections, each featuring a basketball icon. The first section is for "GRADES K, 1 + 2" with a link "CLICK HERE TO VOTE!". A large black arrow points to this link. Below it, a note states "(Votes will be accepted for Round 1 from March 27 at 3 p.m. through April 4 at 3 p.m.)". The second section is for "GRADES 3, 4 + 5" with a link "CLICK HERE TO VOTE!". Below it, a note states "(Votes will be accepted for Round 1 from March 27 at 3 p.m. through April 4 at 3 p.m.)". The left sidebar contains a list of library resources such as "About the PRE Library", "Celebrate with a Book", "Fiction Genres - Grade 4", "Grade 3 Poetry", "Library Olympics", "Monroe County Library System", "Overdrive Access", "Research Tools", "Rocks & Minerals Web Sites", "Submarines", "Teacher Resources", "Visiting Author", "Grade 3 Historical Museum Project", "Grade Level Links", "Park Road Library Catalog", and "Summer Reading Lists".

The book that wins the Tournament of Books will be announced the week of April 22 along with the students who have won Library Olympics medals as a result of the most correct predictions on their brackets.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you so much!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Tami Holihan
Librarian, Park Road

**Grades 3, 4, and 5 had an opportunity to fill out brackets in the library with Mrs. Holihan.*