## Hart County Public Library Announcement: Bookmark Design Contest for National Library Week

Hart County Students in Grades 2-6, get ready to unleash your creativity because the Hart County Public Library is sponsoring a Bookmark Design Contest in celebration of National Library Week! We're calling on all students in grades 2 through 6 to showcase their artistic talents by designing a bookmark that celebrates the joy of reading and the magic of libraries.

## **Contest Details:**

**Eligibility:** The contest is open to all students in grades 2-6 enrolled in Hart County Schools and Hart County homeschoolers in grades 2-6.

**Submission Guidelines:** Designs should be created on bookmarks measuring 2.5" x 6", which will be supplied by the library.

Suggestions for bookmark ideas include:

- Favorite books
- Favorite book character(s)
- Love of the library
- Anything else that pertains to reading, libraries, or books.

The back of the bookmark should include the student's name, school, teacher's name, grade, and age. **All artwork should be the original work of the student submitting the entry.** 

Students may use pens, pencils, colored pencils, crayons, and/or markers to create bookmarks. Stickers and paint are not allowed.

Hart County Schools' students will receive their blank bookmarks from their teachers, and homeschoolers should come by the library to pick up their blank bookmarks. Only one bookmark will be given per student, and the final design copy should be completed on this bookmark.

**Submission Deadline:** Hart County Schools students will submit their completed bookmarks to their teachers by March 29, 2024. Homeschoolers must submit their completed bookmarks to the Hart County Public Library by 5:00 PM on March 29, 2024.

**Judging Criteria:** Entries will be judged on creativity, originality, relevance to libraries, and overall design appeal.

- Judging will take place during the week of April 1-5, 2024.
- Winners will be notified by April 8th.

## **Prizes:**

- Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for each grade level, with additional awards for overall school winners and a best overall bookmark from all submissions.
- Prizes include:
  - 1st Place: \$25 gift card
  - 2nd Place: \$15 gift card
  - 3rd Place: \$10 gift card
  - Overall school and overall homeschool winner: \$25 gift card
  - Overall winner from all submissions: \$25 gift card
- Awards are stackable.

Let your imagination run wild and be part of this exciting celebration of National Library Week! We can't wait to see the amazing designs you come up with.

For any inquiries or further information, please contact the Hart County Public Library at 270-524-1953.