Dear Parents & Students:

We are inviting you to participate in the Young Authors' activities. This is an opportunity for your child to write a book and possibly share it with other young writers in this area at the Young Authors' Conference which will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019 at Edwardsville High School.

This enrichment activity requires creativity and is an excellent opportunity for your student to showcase his/her writing and artistic abilities. Each student who chooses to participate will write and illustrate a book, on a topic of his/her choice. Students may write a picture book, an ABC book, a fantasy book, a cartoon book, a mystery book, an unusual character book, a personal experience book, a lesson book — in other words, almost any type of genre is acceptable. Students are not allowed to write books with violent themes or gore or books with copyrighted characters, such as Superman, Mickey Mouse, etc.

Please encourage creative ideas and individuality! Students may use any type of art materials they wish on the page. Books should have numbered pages and should be enclosed in some type of binder with a hard cover. Encourage your child to work on his/her book daily, not waiting until the night before. Parental involvement/supervision is encouraged, but completed books should be the work of the student as students will be expected to read their manuscript to their teacher and other students. Finished manuscripts should be given to homeroom teachers no later than January 9, 2019. Students who are eligible to attend the conference will be notified in the spring. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me by e-mail.

Sincerely,

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