

YOUNG AUTHORS' CONFERENCE 2021 STUDENT INFORMATION

The Young Authors' Conference, sponsored by Cowichan Valley School District, will take place Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at your school.

At this conference, students from Grades 5 – 12 will have an opportunity to attend one morning session with a published author. In these sessions, the authors will comment on the students' writing and also lead some writing activities. We would like to encourage any students who would benefit from this experience to submit two scripts and a student questionnaire form to the school contact person. Scripts by our definition are two polished pieces of student writing which may be from any of the following genres:

- Poetry
- Short Story
- Essay
- Fictional journal writing
- Graphic novel/cartoon story (1-2 8 ½ x 11")
- A chapter or up to a **2 page portion of a longer work**
- A non-fiction article or newspaper article

Both submitted scripts from each student MUST conform to the following and be in the format in which they will be published (nothing handwritten is acceptable)

- Double spaced with 1 ½" margins on all sides
- Student name and school to be put on the bottom of every page
- **1 to 2 pages in length per piece**
- Use 14 size font Arial or Times New Roman
- Please use a Word Document to type your submissions.
- Graphic Novels should be sent in as photos.

If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Jenny Ingram before submitting.
jingram@sd79.bc.ca or Bench Elementary School (250) 743-5552.

STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME:			
GRADE:		AGE:	
CONTACT TEACHER:			
SCHOOL:			

Please answer the following questions thoughtfully:

1. Why do you wish to attend the Young Authors' Conference and how do you think you will benefit from attending this conference?

2. List your favourite authors and some books you have recently read.

3. In what ways is your writing important to you?

4. a) Why did you select these pieces of your writing to submit?

- b) What would you like the author to notice about your writing?

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HEALTH AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

School Site Young Author's Space

In your space that you choose to hold your Young Author's Learning Experience, you must make sure that:

- **Handwashing/sanitizing upon entry**
- **Students are physically distanced apart (1-2m)**
- **Students from different cohorts are on different sides of the room**
- **Traffic flow has one entrance and one exit (in a one-way fashion)**
- **Any food that is served or shared is pre-packaged and distributed, as opposed to allowing for students to self-serve (reducing congregation)**