



# Children's Book Writing Contest

In celebration of Library Appreciation Week this April, we invite storytellers in our community to participate in our Children's Book Writing Contest! This year's theme is "A Night at the New Library", where imagination comes to life after dark!

#### WHO CAN ENTER?

Aspiring authors: Youth Category (6-12 years old), Teen Category (13-17 years old) and Adult (18+ years old). One winner will be selected from each category.

#### THEME:

**A Night at the New Library**" - What happens when the library doors close for the night? Do the books whisper secrets? Do characters step off the pages? Let your creativity run wild!

## **SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** April 1, 2025 by Midnight WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT: May 1, 2025

Monetary prizes will be awarded for each category (Youth \$100, Teen \$250, and Adult \$250) and the winning stories will be published. A special book shelving ceremony will be held once the books are back from the publisher.

Participants can submit their entries at the WWPL front desk or via email at edowney@wwpl.lib.in.us. Please include the attached application form.

### <u>Rules:</u>

- Submission must be a children's story
- Author must be a resident of Westfield
- Book must be 30 pages or less
- Winners can illustrate their own book or have the option to be paired with a student illustrator if their work is selected
- Submissions are due by midnight on April 1, 2025

Questions? Email edowney@wwpl.lib.in.us



# **Contest Application**

Name:
Birthdate:
Email:
Phone #:
Address:
City:
State:
Zip:

Participants should complete this form and submit it alongside the contest entry. Submissions can be dropped off at the library front desk or emailed to edowney@wwpl.lib.in.us. Submissions must be received before midnight of April 1st in order to be considered.

\*The Westfield Library Foundation reserves the right to use any and all submissions for future marketing campaigns.