



ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Date: Saturday, March 17, 2018

Place: East Ridge Middle School

Fourth and Fifth Graders:

Check-in Between 8:15 - 8:30am

Workshop runs from 8:30 am - 11:45 am

Students attend two consecutive workshops

Cost: \$25

Third Graders:

Check-in Between 12:30 - 12:45

Workshop runs from 12:45 - 2:00 pm

Students attend one workshop

Cost: \$15

The Ridgefield Joint Council of PTAs is proud to sponsor the 2018 Young Writers' Conference for third, fourth and fifth grade students. This celebration of writing gives children an opportunity to use pencil and paper in new and exciting ways, and to broaden their perspective of what can be created with words. Workshops are taught by writing professionals in many different fields.

Fourth and fifth graders attend the morning session. They will choose their top 4 workshops and will be placed into 2 consecutive workshops, allowing them to explore different avenues of creativity. They will be notified of which workshops they are placed in one week prior to the conference.

Third graders also select their top 4 choices and will be placed in 1 workshop in the afternoon to explore their writing passion. The conference is a fun, hands-on experience, and it might open eyes as to how fun "writing" can be. This year, there are exciting new workshops as well as some returning favorites!

HOW TO ENROLL

Please read the following enrollment instructions carefully.

With your child, select four workshops from the descriptions attached, ranked in order of preference. Workshop placements will be made by lottery (instead of first come, first served as in previous years). Some sessions have a limited number of spaces. 5th graders receive priority placement.

Submit your registration form and payment to the school office in an envelope marked “Young Writers’ Conference” by Friday, February 23. Registration must include a check payable to “Ridgefield Joint Council of PTAs” with your child’s name in the “memo” line. The cost is \$25 for fourth and fifth graders, who attend two workshops, and \$15 for third graders, who attend one workshop. If there are multiple students from one household, please fill out a separate form for each child. We cannot accept incomplete forms. Scholarships are available and should be requested through your school’s PTA president. Registrations received after February 24th will be placed only if there is still room in the workshops and on a first come, first served basis.

Before the conference, children will receive a confirmation letter from their teacher at school. This letter includes specific arrival and dismissal procedures - and a reminder to get to East Ridge 15 minutes before your child’s first session. There’s a short registration process once your child gets there and ERMS is a big place to get around! Workshops start on time to allow presenters and students to maximize these unique, interactive programs. ***Be sure to bring the confirmation letter with you*** to the conference to eliminate any on-site confusion.

If you have any questions, please contact your YWC school representative:

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ENROLLMENT FORM

Forms and checks are due by Friday, February 23. Please make checks out to "Ridgefield Joint Council of PTAs" and include child's name in the memo line. Fee is non-refundable. Fourth and fifth graders - \$25 (two classes). Third graders - \$15 (one class).

Student's Name _____

School _____

Teacher _____ Grade _____

WORKSHOP SELECTIONS- Please list 4 workshop choices in order of preference. Placements are made by lottery, with 5th graders receiving priority. We do our best to schedule children in workshops of their choice; however, placements are not guaranteed.

<u>workshop #</u>	<u>workshop name</u>
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

PERMISSION SLIP - Please fill out the permission slip below.

I give permission for my child to attend the Young Writers' Conference. I understand the registration procedures and that my child may be videotaped or photographed during the day for publicity purposes.

Parent Signature _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

EMERGENCY INFORMATION - Please provide an additional emergency contact below.

Emergency Contact #1 _____ Phone _____

Emergency Contact #2 _____ Phone _____

Does your child have any special needs or medical conditions that we should know about? Please explain:

