

# Pumpkin Decorating Contest



It's that time of year! Get ready for the pumpkin decorating contest. Our theme is storybook characters. We will accept decorated pumpkins Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> through Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup>. Late entries will be displayed, but will not be included in the voting. We will number and make a slide show of all of the pumpkins. We will send out a Google form for classroom voting. The pumpkin with the most votes will win a \$25 certificate to Barnes and Noble and a goody bag. The two runners-up will also receive a goody bag. The winners will be announced and have their pumpkins displayed during the morning news on Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Please pick your pumpkins up from the library no later than 2:30 pm Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. The custodians will dispose of any pumpkins left after that time. We look forward to seeing your creative storybook character pumpkins again this year. See the attached form for pumpkin decorating guidelines.

**Please contact us if you have any questions!  
Thank you in advance for your participation!**

**Mrs. Stillman and Mrs. Karasek**

# Pumpkin Decorating Contest Guidelines

1. Pumpkins are to be decorated only, NOT CARVED. **Carved or punctured pumpkins cannot be accepted in the contest. This includes thumbtacks, nails, and any other puncture holes in real pumpkins.** Yes, we happily accept "fake" or foam pumpkins.
2. Pumpkins must be decorated in storybook fashion. This may include any book characters, symbols, settings, etc. Please keep entries appropriate for elementary age students and families. If you choose to display a book with your pumpkin, please label it.
3. Participation is completely voluntary. Pumpkins may be completed independently or as a family project (only one entry per student).
4. Feel free to use paints & glue. Make sure paint and/or glue have dried completely before turning in your pumpkin. We love things like fur, sequins, beads, wiggly eyes, ribbons, yarn, etc. Go wild! Please avoid using candy or other types of food as this can attract insects.
5. Bring your decorated pumpkin to the library during drop off. We will be there to label and collect the pumpkins.
6. Include the entry form with your submission. Please do not attach a name to the pumpkin permanently in order to keep voting anonymous.
7. **The deadline for your entry is Wednesday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 PM. Late entries will be accepted but not included in the voting. Voting will begin Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup> and end at 1:45 PM on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. Winners will be announced on Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Pumpkins may be picked up Friday October 27<sup>th</sup> after 2:30 PM if you would like to display them at your home. Smaller pumpkins will be sent home with your child. Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> by 2:30 PM is the last day to pick up pumpkins. The custodians will dispose of any pumpkins left after that time.**
8. Thank you and have fun!

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Please cut on the dotted line and return this slip with your decorated pumpkin.

## Pumpkin Decorating Contest Entry Form

**Student(s)'s Name(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher(s)'s Name(s)/Grade(s)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Pumpkin** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Book** \_\_\_\_\_