



# GRIZZLY GAZETTE PUBLISHING COMPANY

All students are eligible to have their own original stories published at Grande Park Elementary. Using their imagination, students can publish stories, poems, autobiographies, biographies, fairy tales, alphabet books, mysteries, a compilation of short stories, chapter books, co-authored books...*the possibilities are endless!*

## PARENTS . . .

- 📖 This is an **optional project** for your child.
  - ✓ Students can publish **2 stories per school year** (includes self-published or co-authored)
  - ✓ Spiral bound books are **\$5 each**
  - ✓ Hard cover bound books are **\$10 each**
  - ✓ Bookmark (**1 free per story submission**)  
May purchase additional bookmarks for \$1 each
- 📖 Please edit/proof your child's work before it is submitted. Check for grammar, spelling, content, etc.

## STUDENTS (Author) . . .

- 📖 Brainstorm and write the first draft of your story. Go back and re-write expanding on your story and add illustrations. Ask your parent or guardian to assist you with editing, your spelling and grammar.
- 📖 Follow the checklist guidelines on the Story Submission Sheet.
- 📖 Be the first student in your grade to submit a story for publication and receive a special prize.

## PARENTS and STUDENTS...

Please read and complete the Story Submission Sheet together.

### 📖 **Hand in the following to your teacher:**

- ✓ **Story Submission Sheet**, completed and signed by parent/guardian
- ✓ **Final draft** of your story with illustrations. Illustrations must be on unlined paper. Please color with bright colors because they scan the best 😊
- ✓ **Cover illustration** (Same advice as above - unlined paper/color brightly!!)
- ✓ **Photo of yourself** for your book (optional but nice 😊)
- ✓ **Personal Check\*** for copies ordered made payable to Grande Park PTA or pay online at [www.grandeparkpta.org](http://www.grandeparkpta.org).

📖 **Deadlines:** books submitted by Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016 will be published before winter break; books submitted by Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 will be published before the end of the year.

📖 **The published book will be presented to the author (that's you!) in his/her classroom by Mr. Smith! Your name and book will also be announced during the morning announcements.**

**We hope you're as enthusiastic about it as we are, for you and your child will take great pride in seeing his/her idea go from a thought to a finished book!**

For additional information, please contact: Amy Graham or Laurel Mensik at [GPGrizzlyGazette@gmail.com](mailto:GPGrizzlyGazette@gmail.com)

\*Effective August 17, 2015, there will be a \$15 returned check fee for all checks to the Grande Park PTA returned for Insufficient Funds.