

Dear Parents,

Congratulations! Your child has been selected to represent his/her school at the Midwest Wisconsin Reading Council's Young Authors' Conference at the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse.

At the celebration, you and your child will get to listen to a presentation given by a midwestern author of children's books. Your child will also get to share his/her Young Authors' book with small groups of "young authors" from area schools. Volunteers will lead these groups. During sharing sessions, parents will attend a motivational presentation on parenting young readers and writers.

The presenting author will have displays of his/her books available for you to look over and purchase if you desire. The Midwest Wisconsin Reading Council [MWRC] will have tables set up selling Young Authors' tee shirts and book bags as well as "Bare Books" that you may purchase.

It is an exciting and interesting morning. We from the Midwest Wisconsin Reading Council hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to attend with your child. Because of the limited seating capacity, we ask that only one parent accompany each child. Also, as this is a special day for your Young Author, please do not bring other children.

Please fill out the attached permission slip and return it to your child's teacher as soon as possible. You will receive a program with final details a week before the Young Authors' Conference. Thank you!

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PLACE: University of Wisconsin – La Crosse
Cartwright Center

DATE: Saturday May 10, 2008

TIME: 8:15-8:45 Registration
8:45-9:00 Welcoming session in Valhalla
9:00-11:45 Sharing sessions by students
Autographing by authors
Authors' presentations
Parent session
11:45-12:10 Evaluations, closing remarks

Please return the completed form to your child's classroom teacher by _____

_____ My child and I will be ABLE to attend the conference.

_____ My child and I will be UNABLE to attend the conference.

STUDENT NAME: _____

NAME OF ATTENDING PARENT: _____

_____ Parent/Guardian signature

Please fill out the information below and print clearly.

_____ [Name of student]

_____ [Grade]

_____ [School name]

_____ [City]