THE EDWARD R. BYRNE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am pleased to inform you that beginning **Wednesday, October 14th**, there will be an afterschool Book and Creative Writing Club available for your child. If your child is an avid reader, or a creative writer, this is the perfect opportunity for them! The club will consist of an initial meeting to discuss norms and expectations. We will be choosing a book title to read and discuss together (book club cafe style) and participating in seasonal writing contests under YoungWritersUSA (they will have a chance to be published)!

The following meetings will take place on **Wednesdays** in **room 328** from **2:50-3:50pm**. There will be weekly discussion about important parts of the novel we selected and how it challenged or confirmed our initial ideas. In addition, there will be opportunities for discussing collaborative writing ideas and providing feedback for original writing pieces.

I am looking forward to sharing with fellow book & creative writing enthusiasts and creating a community of book-lovers. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me directly at nortiz30@schools.nyc.gov.

Thank you!

- Mrs. Ortiz

I give my child, _____ permission to participate in **Book & Creative Writing Club** for the 2026-2027 school year.

Please check one of the boxes below if your child will be picked up promptly at 3:50pm or will be walking home.

- ☐ My child will be picked up at 3:50pm
- ☐ My child has permission to walk home

Parent Name (please print): _____

Parent signature: _____

Parent phone number: _____