

Dear Parent(s),

All sixth-grade language arts students will be publishing a book. Each student is currently writing and illustrating a 16-page, full color book. Each book will be hardbound by StudentTales® Publishing Company.

We are encouraging all students to contribute their best efforts toward this exciting project. This project allows students to improve their writing skills, to incorporate their own artwork, as well as to learn about the publishing process. Sixth grade students will be working on these books in their language arts class between now and **December 14, 2010**. It is imperative that students have all work submitted by this deadline, or they **will not** be able to have their book published. This creative project is an opportunity for you to encourage your child's best work and support the efforts of our class.

In the next few weeks, your child will bring home information of how you will have the option to purchase additional copies of the book that your child is creating. There is no obligation to purchase any additional books; each student will still receive **one copy** of their publication.

Win \$100!

Each year all **StudentTales®** program participants are eligible to become \$100 winners in the **National Book Challenge**. Books are judged for originality, storyline, and illustration. Winners will be selected from all books submitted by April 1.

Individual Book Winners

Each winning student author publishing an individual book will receive a commemorative plaque and \$100 in cash. Each winning student's teacher will receive a \$20 Wal-Mart gift card.

We thank you in advance for your support throughout this creative process. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or visit www.studentales.com if you'd like to learn more about the program and view some sample books.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Connors, Mrs. Nelson, and Ms. Stevens
Sixth grade language arts instructors