

2023-2025 DTC Book Club Guidelines

1. The DTC Book Club will meet the last Wednesday of each month beginning Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. CST through March 26, 2025.
 - ❖ Email notifications will be sent each month to all Book Club members confirming the date, time, title of book, author, name of presenter and electronic link to the Book Club meeting. Even if you haven't had a chance to read the book, please feel free to attend and participate in the meeting.
 - ❖ The Book Club Chair will begin and end each meeting and will assist, if needed, to help keep things fluid and giving everyone the opportunity to engage and participate.
 - ❖ The first book will be: "**Over the Hills and Far Away: The Life of Beatrix Potter**" by Matthew Dennison.

2. Each Book Club member is encouraged to submit a book of their choice to be added to the list of recommended reading. Book Club members will review the on-going list and vote on 2 books each month, ideally keeping the books to approximately 300 pages, give or take, so it's not too lengthy.
 - ❖ The Book Club member making a book recommendation is encouraged to present the book review the month their book has been voted on by the members. *Not required, but encouraged!*
 - ❖ An attendance chart will be kept of all meetings attended and presentations made to help keep accurate literacy points earned by each member for the 2023-2025 reporting period.
 - ❖ Each DTC Book Club member will earn 10 literacy points for each Book Club meeting attended (potential to earn 180 points if you attend all 18 meetings). An additional 20 points will be added each month you present a book review, for a total of 30 points for one meeting.
 - ❖ All points earned will be recorded by the Book Club Chair. Each Book Club member will receive a confirmation certificate of all points earned by March 31, 2025.
 - ❖ All points earned are eligible to be submitted on your Chapter's Literacy Reporting Form. A category for the Book Club is on the reporting form (\$20 donation / # meetings / # presentations).
 - ❖ All completed Chapter reporting forms must be submitted to your Province National Literacy and Community Benefits Representative before the final April 2025 deadline. See list of Reps below.

3. Each member is encouraged to make a one-time donation of \$20 to the DTC Book Club that will cover the period of September 27, 2023 through March 26, 2025. You don't have to be a "member" to make a donation.
 - ❖ All funds collected will be donated to one National Literacy project, to be recommended by and voted on by DTC Book Club members, by email to the Chair, by the March 26, 2025 meeting.
 - ❖ The total funds collected and the national organization receiving the most votes will be announced at the 2025 National Convention. NEST will issue a check to be mailed to the chosen organization.
 - ❖ Please make checks payable to "DTC" with a notation on the check "DTC Book Club" and mail directly to NEST Cindi Cook, 2614 S. Lulu, Wichita, KS 67216.

Thank you for your support of Literacy, the DTC Book Club, and raising funds to donate to a National Literacy project!

Happy Reading Fraternally,



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