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The Wildcat Way: We Respect Ourselves, Each Other, and Ongoing Learning

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Dear Patrons of West Richland and Richland:

The Richland School District, in partnership with Friends of Mid-Columbia Libraries and RADCON, is announcing its second annual "A Cavalcade of Authors: Read, Write, Imagine" event to take place Friday, February 12th, 2010. Eight Pacific Northwest Young Adult Authors have been invited to the Pasco Red Lion to present an all day writing workshop for those secondary students in our district and at Kennewick High School who read books from four of the eight authors. We are excited to welcome the following eight authors": Royce Buckingham, Dia Calhoun, Patrick Carman, Brenda Cooper, Lorie Ann Grover, Ben Mikaelson, Deborah Reber, and Suzanne Selfors. These authors have been extremely popular with our students (and other teens) and their books are flying off our shelves.

Students from each of the Richland middle and high schools, as well as students from Kennewick High who have chosen to take the reading challenge will attend five 40 minute writing workshops at our school, each put on by a different author. A luncheon will be provided in the EMS cafeteria for attendees, parents, local media, and community sponsors with an author panel discussion to follow.

We are currently looking for donations from our community to help pay for author expenses as well as t-shirts. Parties donating more than \$100 will be considered official sponsors and be featured on the back of our event t-shirts and be given a one page advertisement in our "A Cavalcade of Authors" workshop program. If you would like to make a monetary contribution, to support literacy in our community please contact me directly. My direct line is 967-6212.

Donations to the Richland School District qualify as a charitable contribution under the Internal Revenue Code Section 170(c)(1). The IRC Section 170(c) is as follows:

(c) CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS DEFINED – For purposes of this section; the term "charitable contribution" means a contribution or gift to or for the use of – (1) A State, a possession of the United States, or any political subdivision of any of the foregoing, or the United States or the District of Columbia, but only if the contribution or gift is made for exclusively public purposes.

Article IX, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Washington and Title 28A.150.010 and 28A.150.020 of the Revised Code of Washington qualify public school districts in the State of Washington as a political subdivision.

Please join us in promoting literacy in our community. We want to pass on the love for books in our world that is slowly beginning to devalue the wonder of reading: We love feeling the heft of the book in our hand, turning the pages, escaping for a moment into an imaginary world, the satisfaction in completing a literary work, and the lifelong treasure trove of books we line up upon our shelves. We want this for the future generation. The Cavalcade of Authors is the very lifetime experience that will inspire the love of the printed word deep in the hearts of our children giving us hope for the generations to follow. Please join us in keeping this love alive!

Please feel free to contact myself or my principal, Tony Howard, at Enterprise if we can answer any questions or discuss “A Cavalcade of Authors” at the phone numbers or e-mail addresses listed below.

Sincerely,

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