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TD Battle of the Books 2017 – Durham Regional Championships

April 26, 2017—Clarington Public Library, in partnership with other Durham Region public libraries, is excited to present the TD Battle of the Books! The 2017 Regional Championships will be held in Oshawa on Thursday, April 27 starting at 6:30 p.m.

The Regional Championships feature the gold medal teams from across Durham following a series of local semi-finals and finals. Literary warriors at both the junior and senior levels from nine municipal schools have competed in Battle. Teams from Newcastle Public School and The Pines Senior Public School will now represent Clarington at the Regional event.

Generously sponsored by TD Canada Trust for over 20 years, the Battle of the Books is a school reading challenge held across the Durham region. It aims to encourage reading, foster friendly competition, and nurture the love of books in young people. This year, over 150 Durham schools have teams registered at the junior (Grades 4 to 6) and senior (Grades 7 to 8) levels. Teams test their knowledge of a reading list of 30 books, including *The BFG* by Roald Dahl and *The Sword of Summer* by Rick Riordan at the junior level, and *MINRS* by Kevin Sylvester and *This Dark Endeavor* by Kenneth Oppel at the senior level.

Spectators will cheer on the brave combatants at the Durham Regional Championships at the Northview Community Centre (150 Beatrice St E, Oshawa) on Thursday, April 27 starting at 6:30 p.m. More information may be found on the library's website at www.clarington-library.on.ca, or at www.bookbattle.ca.

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