



## Student words brought to life.

January 29, 2023

Dear Principals and Teachers,

This school year Northwest Theatre Lab is on a mission to foster a sense of community through learning and the performing arts. As every student is asked to do some form of creative writing at school, we would like to invite you to submit copies of student writing to Northwest Theatre Lab's *Words by Kids, Tweens, and Teens* acting workshop. Our Company Members will then read and select several stories for adaptation into acting scenes, rehearse the scenes, and bring live student led performances into the classrooms of participating teachers / buildings in the spring of 2023. Through this experience we believe teachers, students, and engaged community members can dive into a meaningful discussion on the importance of strong written language, how a simple story can be turned into performance art and begin to understand the importance writing has in all stages of life.

Teachers are busy therefore, we would like your participation in *Words by Kids, Tweens, and Teens* to not add anything extra to your workload. You do not need to assign anything extra to your students, simply choose a writing assignment you already have planned, complete an online *Words by Kids, Tweens, and Teen's* submission form, and upload copies of your students work. Electronic submissions are completed on our website at www.nwtheatrelab.com. If you would rather submit a paper submission, you can do so by contacting one of our representatives and they can come by the school to pick it up.

*Words by Kids, Tweens, and Teens* is open to all 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> grade students. The deadline for class submissions is February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Our Company Member students will spend the month of March and April reading, selecting, and adapting written work. By March 15<sup>th</sup>, we will announce the schools and classrooms whose written work is selected to be performed by actors from our *Words by Kids, Tweens, and Teen's* program. In March we will be in contact with principals who have had work selected for adaptation, and begin to set up the *Words by Kids, Tweens, and Teens* classroom/assembly performance tour schedule.

We are excited to bring this learning opportunity to classrooms this year. If you have any questions or concerns you can email our *Words by Kids, Tweens, and Teen's* coordinator, Jen Mohler at <a href="mailto:info@nwtheatrelab.com">info@nwtheatrelab.com</a>. We look forward to hearing from you and fostering relationships of learning and performing arts within the community.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Mohler Artistic Director | Co-Owner Northwest Theatre Lab





## 2023 Submission Form

Teacher Name:	Room #	School:
Total Number of Submissions:	Email:	

Below, please have students list their name, grade, and title of written work.

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