

YA ETIQUETTE AND TIPS FOR THE CONFERENCE

Based on your feedback from previous years, below are some tips and etiquette expected for all students and adults attending the conference.

- Be on time. Stay until the end of presentations.
- Plan for the unexpected. Bring an 'extra' in case of extra time. Examples include: read aloud, small project, songs and movements, flashcards, class game, etc.
- Plan for bathroom breaks in your schedule.
- Be respectful during presentations. Remind students and adults to sit quietly, listen, and participate when given the opportunity.
- Have your class join in reciting the poetry before the author is introduced. Help build fluency by practicing the poem often before the Young Authors conference.
- Cell phones need to be turned off and put away during presentations. They should be used in an emergency situation only.
- Have a discussion with students and adult helpers about what to expect during the conference and what your expectations are for them during the conference. Have this conversation before you come.
- Pen Pals - Communicate with your pen pals. Decide together how you would like your classes to share their writing at the conference.