New School Fundraiser for 2021-2022

Support student reading and writing all year long by connecting your students with award-winning author Linda Stanek, while also raising funds for your school.

How? Building student connections to authors increases student enthusiasm for reading and writing. With that in mind, Linda has created a brand new, year-long, virtual “Author Kid’s Club” that also supports schools’ fundraising needs.

What? The Author Kid’s Club, geared toward elementary students, is a monthly, eight-page, printable packet. These packets arrive to each subscribing family beginning in October, and going through August (to combat summer slide). Each monthly packet will include:

- General thoughts and what Linda is working on right now.
- Several writing ideas from Linda. At least one created by the student.
- Encouragement. (Lots of it!)
- An interview of a children’s author, featuring one of his/her books.
- “Did you know?” focusing on specific strategies for writing.
- “Pro Tips” for kids to use in their writing.
- Problem/Solution—common problems that student writers encounter, and solutions.
- A page devoted to a deeper dive and practice of a specific writing strategy.
- Three “Try This!” mini prompts for writing.
- Five to six reviews of newly released books, to stimulate interest in reading. (Picture books, chapter books, graphic novels, middle grade novels.)
- A chance to win the reviewed and featured books in a monthly drawing.
- An embedded word scramble.

What Else? The subscription also comes with tips for parents on how to help their kids utilize the Author Kids Club packet throughout each month.

How Does Our School Benefit? In addition to supporting student reading and writing, parent/teacher organizations collect 30% of each $10/year family subscription service (multiple siblings allowed). In other words, you receive $3.00 for every family that signs up. You can do this one of two ways: You send home a flyer (I provide a master), and it’s up to participating parents to sign up. Or, if you feel you would have better results, you can have membership forms returned to you for a volunteer to input into the computer for family memberships.

Questions? Contact Linda at: AuthorKidsClub@gmail.com ~ www.LindaStanek.com
Who? Linda Stanek has been in children’s publishing for almost 20 years and has been a visiting author in schools, where she hosts writing workshops, for just as long. Her books include children’s fiction, nonfiction, and comic books that combine the two. When her own children were diagnosed with written language disabilities, her interest in how children learn to write went from an interest to an obsession. Today she teaches writing to children whenever, wherever, and however she can, most frequently through author visits in schools.

Linda’s Awards and Honors:

- National Science Teacher’s Association recommended read
- Choose to Read Ohio winner
- Ohioana State Book Award finalist
- Keystone to Reading State Book Award finalist
- Delaware Diamonds State Book Award Reading List
- Silver Nautilus Book Award winner
- Texas Library Association’s Tejas Star Reading List

We want to participate. Where do we go from here?
Email Linda at AuthorKidsClub@gmail.com. Linda will send you a sample copy of an Author Kid’s Club monthly packet to review, along with a master “sell sheet” and order form to copy and send home to parents about the program. It’s recommended that students signed up by late September so they are onboard for their first mailing in early October.