



The whole month of October, HMS will be celebrating “TEENtober”. TeenTober is a new, nationwide celebration hosted by school libraries each October to celebrate teen reading and promote year-round teen library services. The HMS library will be sponsoring an event to promote “TEENtober” and teen reading. It is a pumpkin decorating contest! Rules for this contest are listed below. Each pumpkin will be displayed in the library until Nov. 10th with a jar. Students can vote for their favorite pumpkin with money/change. The pumpkin that raises the most money for the library will win a \$10.00 gift card. All funds raised will be used to purchase new library books for our students. Please encourage your students to participate in this event and encourage them to READ, READ, READ! Let’s celebrate Teen Read Week and have some fun with books!

Pumpkin Contest Rules:

- ✓ **No real pumpkins (only plastic will be accepted)**
- ✓ No candy or food items can be used to decorate the pumpkins (nothing that would attract bugs).
- ✓ Must be decorated like a character or theme from a book and must have a form filled out with the title of the book, author and character/theme of the pumpkin to be entered into the contest. Pumpkin forms can be picked up in the library or downloaded from the school website.
- ✓ Winner will receive a \$10 gift card!
- ✓ Pumpkins can be turned in to Mrs. Tew during the weeks of Oct. 17th-28th. No pumpkins will be accepted after Friday, October 28th.
- ✓ Students will receive extra credit in their English class if they participate in the pumpkin contest!