

Third Annual Cape Literacy Festival set with 12 Young Adult Authors

“This festival is a fun, informative and entertaining event that celebrates books and a love of reading with our students.” ~Dr. Jeff Spiro, Principal of Cape Coral High School

12 young adult authors are coming to Cape Coral High School for a school visit on Thursday, March 14th. **The event will celebrate reading by giving away over \$5,000 worth of free books written by the visiting authors** and by having the writers encourage our diverse population of 1,600 students to read, write, and follow their own dreams. The one day event will include an opening keynote speaker, two panels, a closing keynote speaker, and will culminate with an outdoor festival on the school football field featuring the 12 young adult fiction authors, as well as hosting food and activities such as a scavenger hunt. This portion of the event is from 12:05-1:30p.m.

“The authors are coming from all over Florida, and Jeff Strand is driving down from Atlanta,” said Jamie Ayres, Cape Coral High School English teacher, festival coordinator, and one of the featured YA authors at the event. “Many genres are represented and the authors have very diverse backgrounds. We wanted our students to have a wide variety of novels to choose from, and we wanted them to be able to identify personally with an author, too. We received \$5,000 in grants from The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools, and another \$1,500 grant from Kiwanis Club of Cape Coral.

The list of authors include: Lynne Matson, Stacie Ramey, Steven Dos Santos, Amy Christine Parker, Lucienne Diver, Erica Cameron, Jeff Strand, Christina Farley, Teshelle Combs, Sarah Nicolas, Jenny Keller Ford, and Jamie Ayres.



Celebrating Literacy: March 11-14, 2019

Monday,

March 11th

Cuddle Up With a Good Book

Wear Dress Code Appropriate Pajamas (no blankets) & earn a point for your Scavenger Hunt!

Tuesday,

March 12th

Read to Succeed!

Dress in your favorite college T-shirt & earn a point for your Scavenger Hunt!

Wednesday,
March 13th

Reading is My Superpower

Dress in your best Superhero attire & earn a point for your Scavenger Hunt!

Thursday,

March 14th

Hats Off to Literacy

Wear your favorite hat & earn a point for your Scavenger Hunt!

Cape Literacy Festival

12:05-1:35pm on Football Field

Book SigningGames**Food**Music**Prizes!**