



Highland Park Elementary Library's Storybook Pumpkin Patch My Favorite Book Character

Highland Park School Library is growing a storybook pumpkin patch, and we need your help! Decorate a pumpkin to look like one of your favorite book characters, and bring it to the library to plant in our Storybook Pumpkin Patch!

NO CARVED OR CUT PUMPKINS WILL BE ACCEPTED

- Think of your favorite book and design your pumpkin based on your favorite character from that book.
- Purchase a pumpkin that is **no larger** in size than a basketball.
- Gather your decorating supplies. **Acrylic paints or permanent markers work best.** Watercolors tend to run, and spray paint will gradually dissolve the pumpkin. Other options include adding materials such as yarn, buttons, wiggly eyes, etc.
- **Decorate your pumpkin *without* carving, cutting, or poking holes in it.**
- Fill out and answer the questions on the following entry page.
- Bring your pumpkin and entry page to the library on **Monday, October 17th** upon arrival to school.
- **Pumpkins are to be taken home at the end of school on Monday, October 31st.** If your child needs assistance getting it home please make arrangements to do this. All pumpkins that are left behind will be disposed of by 3:30 that afternoon.
- Participation is completely voluntary. This is not a contest, however **each decorated pumpkin will earn the owner one spirit stick** (limit one pumpkin per student). You will get your spirit stick when you pick up your pumpkin on October 31.
- Have fun and be creative!

