

## Kinston Elks Help Elementary Battle of the Books

The Kinston Elks Lodge # 740 recently presented a \$1,000 check to Northeast Elementary School to use toward their annual Elementary Battle of the Books competition. This competition is a reading incentive program for grades 3 through 12. Students read books then come together to demonstrate their abilities and test their knowledge of the books they have read.

An Elks National Foundation Gratitude worth \$2,000 made the donation possible. Monies from the grant will also go toward the Lodge's annual Americanism Essay Contest awards dinner and their annual scholarship awards in the spring.

The attached picture Caption: Kinston Elks present \$1,000 check Northeast Elementary Principal, Mildred Dunn. Pictured L to R: Melanie McCoy, Media Coordinator, Bob Moore, Elks Trustee, Cheryl McLain, Elks Secretary, Jim McLain, Past Exalted Ruler, Mildred Dunn, Principal and Jack Strickland, Past District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler. Students pictured in Mrs. McLain's first grade class are L to R: Lanijah Wilson, Miasia Simmons, Nizavien Williams and Royell Brock.

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