



Hancock County Public Library
NaNoWriMo 2020 Terms and Conditions
Effective 08/26/2020

Please read the following terms and conditions before deciding whether or not to participate in Hancock County Public Library's (HCPL's) National Novel Writing Month ([NaNoWriMo](#)) 2020 challenge and Google Classroom online group. HCPL reserves the right to make changes to these terms and conditions. Changes will be reflected in this document along with the date of the most current version. All changes will be announced in the Google Classroom group.

Official Rules

1. Write and submit one **original** 50,000 word novel of any genre **OR** one original short story, poem, or work of nonfiction between the dates of 11/01/2020 -- 11/30/2020. No changes may be made to your submission after 11/30/2020.
2. Include your name or pseudonym in your submission.
3. Include a title in your submission.
4. Submissions must be 12pt, Times New Roman, and double-spaced.
5. Submit your writing in the Hancock County Public Library Google Classroom group (see Google Classroom for more information).
6. Submissions will be made accessible to the public through Google Docs. Participants reserve the right to choose not to have their writing made accessible to the public.

Google Classroom Conduct

1. This is a closed group for the HCPL NaNoWriMo 2020 challenge.
2. Those interested in joining the group may do so by clicking on this link: <https://classroom.google.com/c/MTI3MTI0MzQ4NDI3?cjc=tu66o6g> and entering the class code: **tu66o6g**.

3. This is a safe, friendly, and supportive space to engage in discussion related to NaNoWriMo. Group members are invited to share ideas, tips & tricks, links to helpful resources, and general writing inspiration or musings.
4. Treat everyone in the group with respect and kindness. Make sure everyone feels safe. Bullying of any kind isn't allowed, and degrading comments about things like race, religion, political affiliation, culture, sexual orientation, gender, or identity will not be tolerated.
5. Self-promotion, spam, and irrelevant links are not allowed.
6. Respect everyone's privacy. Being part of this group requires mutual trust. Authentic, expressive discussions make groups great, but may also be sensitive and private. What's shared in the group should stay in the group.
7. The group moderator reserves the right to remove individuals from the group for violating these terms and conditions.

Intellectual Property Rights

You own the rights to your original NaNoWriMo 2020 challenge writing submission. If you agree to grant HCPL the right to publish your submission, your writing will be made accessible for public viewing through Google Docs. HCPL reserves the right to decide when or if your work will be removed from public viewing. You will receive no financial compensation from HCPL for the online publication of your work.

Limitation of Liabilities

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