Laurel Snyder

With the Support of the PTSA, Mendon Center Elementary School Welcomes award-winning Children's Author Laurel Snyder



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Laurel Snyder is an award-winning author of picture books and novels for children. Her chapter books include *Orphan Island, The Witch of Woodland, Penny Dreadful, Bigger than a Bread Box, Any Which Wall,* and *Seven Stories Up.* Laurel is also the author of the *Charlie & Mouse* series for early readers and several picture books, including *Endlessly Ever After, Hungry Jim, Swan: The Life and Dance of Anna Pavlova, The Forever Garden* and *Camp Wonderful Wild.*

Laurel Snyder's books have won the Theodore Seuss Geisel Medal, the Sydney Taylor Medal, and the E.B. White Read Aloud Honor. *Orphan Island* was longlisted for the National Book Award in the category of Young People's Literature. A graduate of the Iowa Writers' Workshop, Ms. Snyder teaches in Hamline University's MFA in writing for children and young adults program. To learn more about our visiting author, visit laurelsnyder.com.

During her time at our school, Ms. Snyder will share her knowledge about creating stories and will provide tips for students to inspire their writing. Our students are excited to learn more about Laurel Snyder's books and to have an opportunity to spend time learning from this critically acclaimed author.

"Everyone has a story to tell. Everyone has a book only they can write. It's critical to me that kids value their thoughts, feelings and experiences—the fun ones and the tough ones too—and learn to tell their own stories. I want them to know how powerful they can be." --Laurel Snyder

We are offering her books for sale prior to her visit, and Ms. Snyder will sign each book that is purchased. Students must order and pay for their books now so that the books can be shipped to us in time for her visit.

To order, please visit the Pittsford Central School District PTSA page at https://www.mce.pittsfordptsa.net/visitingauthor or by scanning this QR code.

Please see the attached pages for a list of the books offered for sale.

ALL ORDERS ARE DUE BY TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025

The Pittsford Central School District strives to make our school environment one in which all children can learn and succeed. If purchasing books for the Laurel Snyder author visit serves as a financial hardship or strain on your family, please work directly with your building Principal or School Counselor at any time to secure necessary financial assistance through a confidential conversation.