

Ryan Graudin

School Visit Programs



Inspiring Readers. Empowering Storytellers.



Ryan Graudin is the award-winning, internationally published author of more than a dozen novels. Her books for young readers—including titles featured on the Lone Star Reading List—have been recognized by multiple state book award programs nationwide, including Oklahoma’s Sequoyah Award for Wolf by Wolf in 2017.

- ✦ **Winner of the Oklahoma Sequoyah Book Award**
- ✦ **Over 250,000 Copies Sold Worldwide**
- ✦ **Four-Time JLG Gold Award Recipient**
- ✦ **Two-Time Lone Star Reading List Selection**
- ✦ **Carnegie Book Award Nominee**
- ✦ **Amazon Best Book of the Year**
- ✦ **BBC Radio 2 Book Club Selection**
- ✦ **Published in 16 countries**

As a former educator, Ryan knows how to navigate the rhythms of a classroom and keep students engaged. Humor, high-energy storytelling, and practical writing craft all come into play in her presentations. She is especially fond of Q&A sessions, where students' curiosity has a chance to shine. Her school visits are designed to spark inspiration, demystify the writing process, and leave students feeling both encouraged and empowered.

Assembly Presentation



“Becoming the Hero of Your Own Story”

45-60 minutes

Grades 3-8 (adaptable through Grade 10)

In this interactive presentation, Ryan recounts her own journey as an aspiring author and ties it into the Hero’s Quest archetype. Students will walk through the basic tenets of storytelling—character, conflict, choice, and courage—while discovering how those same elements shape their own lives.

Blending humor, behind-the-scenes publishing insights, and live storytelling exercises, Ryan invites students to see themselves as protagonists: capable of growth, resilience, and creative agency. Participants will leave with practical tools for shaping their own stories, and the confidence to begin telling them.

Virtual Visit: **\$750**

In-Person Half Day: **\$1,600 (plus travel)**

In-Person Full Day: **\$2,200 (plus travel)**

District and multi-school discounts available.

Flexible pricing for Title I.

Workshops



These sessions are designed for smaller, focused groups. Ryan leads interactive, craft-driven workshops that invite students to collaborate, experiment and develop the stories they're most excited to tell.

Creating Unforgettable Characters: What does it take to build a compelling protagonist? In this session, students explore motivation, stakes, flaws, and growth. Ryan demonstrates how strong character choices drive powerful stories—and how to bring authentic “main character energy” to the page.

Building Immersive Worlds: Maps, myths, and magic—oh my! Whether it's a kingdom full of wizards, an alternate history, or a sci-fi future, world building is about more than cool settings. Ryan helps students uncover the mechanics behind immersive worlds and shows how thoughtful details shape character, conflict, and theme.

Plotting Page-Turning Stories: You have your main character. You have your imaginary world. What happens next? Ryan shares how she structures her novels to keep readers turning pages—and how to outsmart the occasional bout of writer's block along the way.

Virtual Visit: **\$750**

In-Person: **Included in Day Rates**

Creative Writing Residency

For schools seeking a deeper experience, Ryan offers multi-day writing residencies. Working with focused groups of young writers, Ryan guides students through the development of original stories—from character and world building to structure and revision. Sessions are interactive and collaborative, blending mini craft lessons with hands-on writing time and individual feedback.

Each residency is customized to meet the needs and goals of the school.

This may include:

- Character and world development workshops
- Structured plot mapping
- Peer critique frameworks
- Revision strategies
- One-on-one or small-group feedback sessions
- Final showcase reading

Pricing available upon request.



30-Minute Virtual Visit

A condensed interactive talk paired with a Q&A session where Ryan answers your most curious students' questions.

\$600