

2026 Bulletin Board Contest Rubric - Every Page a New Path

This theme highlights how every book leads somewhere – to new ideas, new skills, new places, and new possibilities. Each time someone reads, they’re starting a fresh trail and discovering where it leads.

When judging the displays, look for how clearly they show this idea of reading leading to new experiences, learning, or discovery.

Category	4 – Outstanding	3 – Strong	2 – Taking Shape	1 – Needs a boost
1. Required Elements (Wandering Willie image + “Every Page a New Path”)	All required elements are present, easy to spot, and woven naturally into the display.	Required elements are included but may not stand out or feel fully connected.	One required element is unclear, hard to see, or feels added last-minute.	Required elements are missing or barely visible.
2. Representation of the Theme (How well the display reflects paths, journeys, and exploration)	Theme is clear, strong, and creatively interpreted.	Theme is present and understandable.	Theme feels loose or not well developed.	Little or no visible connection to the theme.
3. Visual Impact & Creativity (Design, originality, layout; student work may be included)	Eye-catching, imaginative, and well-organized. Strong use of colour and layout. Student work, if included, enhances the display.	Appealing and organized with some creative touches.	Some creativity, but display looks plain, cluttered, or incomplete.	Minimal creativity or visual appeal; layout is messy or unclear.

Judges comments: