

Allison Gutknecht School Visits

Books:

Don't Wear Polka-Dot Underwear with White Pants (and Other Lessons I've Learned)

A Cast Is the Perfect Accessory (and Other Lessons I've Learned)

Never Wear Red Lipstick on Picture Day (and Other Lessons I've Learned)

Pizza Is the Best Breakfast (and Other Lessons I've Learned)

The Bling Queen

Spring Break Mistake

Sing Like Nobody's Listening

Mitzy's Homecoming (Pet Pals #1)

All books published by Aladdin/Simon and Schuster.

Overview:

My presentation includes:

- my background, including who I wanted to be when I grew up (i.e. following your passions);
- how I come up with story ideas and bring those ideas to life, using my books as examples;
- the writing process, as related to the students' own lives/writing; and
- Q&A.

My presentation for grades 2-8 lasts 45 minutes, including the Q&A. For kindergarten and first grade, I do a shorter session (25 minutes). I will do up to three presentations during the course of the day, or in place of one of the presentations, I will do a writing workshop with a small group of students (the workshop works best with third or fourth graders).

Pricing:

My rate for schools is a \$750 honorarium for up to three presentations, plus travel expenses. For schools within 75 minutes of Voorhees, NJ, there is no additional fee for travel. (Note: I live in NYC, so for schools in or close to the city, please ask about expenses.)

Scheduling:

I only book school visits on Fridays. When possible, I prefer for the presentations to be scheduled back-to-back in the morning.

Book Ordering:

I ask schools to make my books available for the students to order beforehand, and I sign the books while at the school. Books can be ordered from your local bookstore, which provide discounts for bulk orders (usually 20%).

Photos:

Photographs from previous school visits can be found on my website under "News and Events":

http://allisongutknecht.com/News_Events.html

Questions:

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions you may have concerning my school visits at allison@allisongutknecht.com. References from previous school visit locations are also available upon request.