

Green Screen

Adventures

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SAT & SUN 7AM - 8AM
CHICAGO - SUN ONLY



SATURDAYS
10AM EST/9AM CST



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MONDAY - FRIDAY 7AM

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Green Screen Adventures presents stories and drawings by elementary schools students from 2nd through 8th grade. School administrators, classroom teachers, and families can submit students' works.

The program is taped in a green screen studio (hence the show title) using the same green screen TV technology that is used for weather reports. Instead of weather maps this backdrop features drawings by students which enhance the stories and creates an engaging show.

EDUCATIONAL GOALS

- To encourage children to be enthusiastic about writing and reading
- To help students build a foundation for writing, critical thinking, and problem solving
- To promote character development as the diverse cast demonstrates cooperation and mutual respect
- To provide educators with innovative and entertaining ways to teach their students

PROGRAMMING TECHNIQUES

STORY THEATRE Cast members read, discuss and act out a student's story. The child's illustrations become the set. Bilingual Spanish and American Sign Language adaptations are also featured.

BRAIN GAME This entertaining game show is based on expository writing.

PUPILS' COURT These segments feature persuasive writing by students.

FOOD FOLKS Creative puppet theatre is adapted from students' stories.

IMPROVISATION STATION Improvisational techniques demonstrate unique ways to enliven writing and enhance critical thinking skills.

NEWSFLASH News segments explore poems, drawings, reports and more.

BEYOND WORDS Scenes are based on drawings sent in by students.

RHYTHM AND WRITING These adaptations of students' poetry or stories incorporate dance, music, and song. This demonstrates that many of their favorite art forms begin with writing.

SPINNING TALES The art of traditional storytelling celebrates culture and family.

JOURNAL JOURNEY Cast members discuss journal entries to reinforce critical thinking and writing skills.

FEEDBACK

"There's a warm feeling inside knowing that there are those (WCIU) who can influence kids by doing the 'Write Thing' in the right way. You celebrate children's voices and minds. You encourage them in ways that schools sometimes have a difficult time figuring out how to do. And you provide a venue for educators to learn and think about how to provide and promote writing instruction. I want to personally thank you and WCIU for taking on this initiative and hope that this will be a program available for a very long time."

— Susan Kajiwara-Ansai • Area 9 Reading Coach • Chicago Public Schools