

# Professional Development Newsletter

## The Utah Adult Education Hub is Here!

This brand-new hub is designed to empower educators by providing them with learner-centered and evidence-based education that helps them build sustainable employment and careers.

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## New Episode of Students in Focus

# STUDENTS IN FOCUS

## Tumbleweeds Special 2025 (Part 2)



On today's episode of Students in Focus, we have the honor of sharing two short films from the

# TUMBLEWEEDS FILM FESTIVAL FOR KIDS

## Utah's premier kids film festival is excited to announce our fourth annual Kids Film Competition!

The 2026 Tumbleweeds Kids Film Competition is open to all Utah students in grades K-8. Students may enter fiction or nonfiction films for competition. Films will be judged based on the filmmakers' ability to clearly tell a story or convey a message, artistic style and technical skill.

**Submissions Open:** Tuesday, September 2, 2025

**Final Submission Date:** Sunday, March 1, 2026, by 11:59 PM MST

**Finalists Announcement:** Monday, March 16, 2026

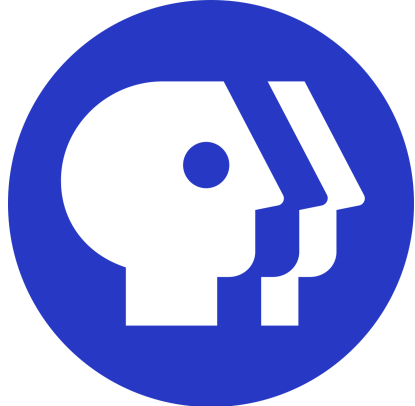
**Awards Ceremony:** Friday, April 24, 2026

[Click here for more information](#)

[Sizzle reel of competition](#)

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THE READING QUEST

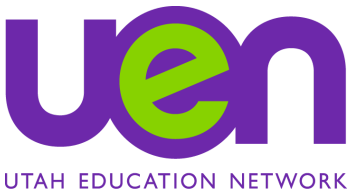


**The Reading Quest: Librarians Can Join PBS Utah’s One-Month Reading Challenge!**

Encourage your school librarians to join our Reading Quest! It’s a low-pressure, fun way to share what you’re reading, discover new titles and connect with fellow librarians. Whether you read one book or ten, every page counts!

**Start reading today**

**If this sparked an idea, don’t keep it to yourself—share it with a fellow educator!**



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