The 9th Annual KBF School Days will take place from November 11-15, 2019. Seven popular children's authors are headed to 14 rural schools throughout the Commonwealth the week of November 11-15.

Priority will be given to schools that meet the following criteria:

- Population of town is less than 15,000
- School free/reduced lunch rate exceeds 60%
- No flagship university in your community

Please note: Authors can present to only one school per county. They will present for 90 minutes to a set number of students (minimum of 90 students to maximum of 130 students). Authors will work with your students through interactive activities about writing and reading. All participating schools will receive a copy of the presenting author's book for their library.

For additional information:

https://www.kyhumanities.org/programs/kentucky-book-festival/2019-kbf-school-days-

*How do you think this author visit can benefit your students? A consistent decline in state funding has resulted in the inability to provide special assemblies and guest speakers to enhance the education of students at North and South Todd Elementary. We recognize that an author visit would present a powerful learning opportunity for our students both academically and personally. Located in close proximity to Fort Campbell, many of our children have families that currently serve or are veterans of the Armed Forces. The interactive activities planned by Kristen O'Donnell Tubb for A Dog Like Daisy, are sure to compliment reading and writing skills that are taught in the classroom and help to inspire our future authors.

*How will you prepare your students for this author visit?
Our target audience for the author visit is third grade and librarians at each school in collaboration with classroom teachers, will ensure that all students have read the book prior to Ms. O'Donnell's visit. A local citizen who trains service dogs will be invited to each school and give students additional background knowledge to help them make connections with

book content and the main character, Daisy. Classroom time will be used to help students learn new vocabulary, to ask questions and to engage in discussions.