

The **Massachusetts Italian Teachers Association** (MITA) is proud to sponsor this event which brings together about 150 secondary school students and teachers of Italian in Massachusetts for an Italian language competition held on a local higher education campus. The event plays an important role in promoting the study of Italian

and creating connections between colleges and universities with high-school students and faculty.

La Giornata dell'Italiano is a great opportunity for colleges and universities to showcase their Italian programs and connect with high-school students and faculty. This year, the event will take place at **Northeastern University** in Boston, MA.

GUIDELINES FOR STUDENTS PERFORMANCES

Participating schools are invited to create a 5–10-minute skit or other performance in Italian inspired by this year's theme: *Un libro per amico*. Students can adapt a novel, parts of a novel, or a short story they have read into a theatrical piece. They may also create monologues inspired by literary characters, stage imaginary interviews with authors, or develop an original story that highlights the significance of a book/story. Performances can also incorporate elements such as music, dance, visual art to bring their ideas to life and showcase the creative connection between books and culture or students' personal experiences, ideas and/or emotions.

A panel of judges will evaluate each school's performance based on creativity, originality, language use, and overall execution, selecting the three best performances for awards.

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPATION AND REGISTRATION

COST: The participation cost for students, inclusive of a light lunch, is \$10.00 for those whose teacher is a MITA member and \$15.00 for non-MITA participants. It's important to note that teachers do not need to pay any participation fee.

DEADLINE for Registration: March 31, 2025

By the deadline complete registration form (button below)

DEADLINE for Full Payment: April 7, 2025

By the deadline, please send one check per school for the total amount (including chaperones). NO PURCHASE ORDERS please! Make checks payable to **MITA** and mail to:

Maria Stella Cocchiara 36 Stanley Ave. Medford, MA 02155

ATTENDANCE:Full payment secures your spot in the competition, please send check by the March deadline. Space is limited and will be reserved on a "first come first served" basis.

Find out more about the competition here

Register for the competition here

QUESTIONS?

For questions about the program and registration, please contact *Nicole Chalifoux* at *nchalifoux@medford.k12.ma.us*

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