## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Poetry Recitation

Please help your child memorize one of the following poems. Initial and return this form to school when your child is ready to recite to the class.

## **#1 Books to the Ceiling**

by Arnold Lobel

Books to the ceiling, Books to the sky. My piles of books are a mile high!

How I love them! How I need them! I'll have a long beard by the time I read them.

## #2 April Medicine

by Joyce Carol Thomas

My mother's touch, so tender, so certain Steadies me with healing hands Hands that cool my brow when I perspire And warm me when I shiver

My mother's hands already know The temperature of my head The weather of my heart How do they know to be cool when I'm hot And warm when I'm not?

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Evaluation Criteria:	Meets the standard – 20 points each criteria Does not meet the standard – 0 points

Posture:	
Enunciation:	
Accuracy:	
Volume:	
Pacing:	 Overall Grade: