# **Well-Read Mom Blog Submission Guidelines**

We're thrilled that you're considering contributing to our blog. Our blog is a space where we explore the richness of literature, share insights, and foster a community of passionate readers.

Well-Read Mom accompanies women in the reading of great books and spiritual classics to encourage personal growth, friendship, and meaningful conversations in order to explore the human condition and reorient ourselves to what is good, beautiful, and true. In Well-Read Mom, women read more and read well. Our hope is to deepen the awareness of meaning hidden in each woman's daily life, elevate the cultural conversation, and revitalize reading literature from books.

Below are our guidelines to help you craft submissions that resonate with our mission and readers.

## 1. Understanding the Well-Read Mom Audience

• Our readers are women from various faiths (though most are Catholic mothers), stages of life, and vocations who are interested in personal growth, friendship, and literature. They appreciate content that explores the human condition and are looking to make connections between literature and how they can live with more intentionality. Our hope is that our blog will feel like an extension of the Well-Read Mom small group experience where writers share their personal experiences that inspire the the reader to preserve in developing a reading practice which fosters personal growth and illuminates how her reading is fostering a cultural renewal.

### 2. Content Focus

- Your submissions should center around themes of personal growth, friendship, the human condition, and the exploration of what is good, beautiful, and true.
- We welcome thoughtful reflections on books we read together, as well as personal
  insights on cultivating a reading habit, enjoying literature with family, exploring the
  Well-Read Mom theme of the year, and the positive impact of reading on family life and
  culture.
- Our content often reflects the values and teachings of the Catholic intellectual tradition, though we welcome perspectives from other religious traditions.

# 3. Tone and Style

Our tone is thoughtful, engaging, and accessible. We aim to create meaningful
connection and encourage women to grow personally and spiritually, invoking deep
thought while remaining relatable and inspiring.

### 4. Submission Specifications

- Original work only, 500-1000 words.
- Include a brief bio (2-3 sentences).
- Use clear, concise language and short paragraphs.

• We ask that all blog submissions be written by you personally and not generated with the assistance of artificial intelligence tools.

# 5. References and Quotations

- When quoting or referencing texts, please provide appropriate citations.
- Avoid excessive quoting; your unique insights are what our readers value most.

### 6. Submission Process

- Submit your article as a Word document or Google Doc to submissions@wellreadmom.com
- Include "Blog Submission: [Your Article Title]" in the subject line.
- Sign a copy of the Well-Read Mom Copyright Release Form

### 7. Editorial Process

• We reserve the right to edit submissions for clarity, length, and style.

### 8. Publication

- Once your article is approved, we will schedule it for publication.
- We promote published articles on our social media platforms and encourage you to do the same.

Thank you for your interest in contributing to the Well-Read Mom blog. We look forward to your submissions and the rich conversations they will inspire!

~Well-Read Mom Blog Team