

Eisenhower Middle School

Grades 6 – 7 – 8

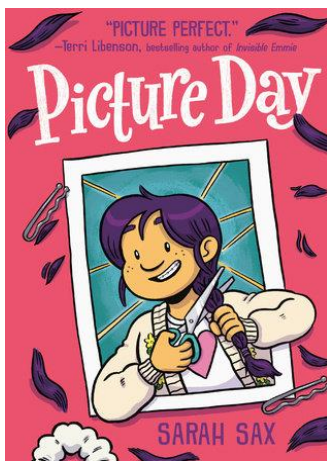


Summer Reading Recommendations

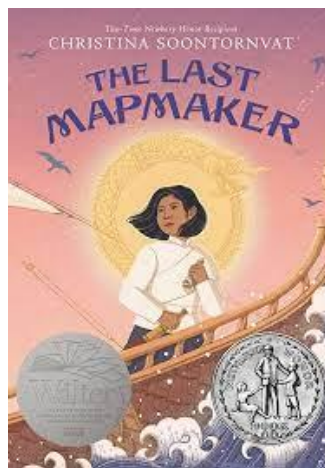
Recommendations are carefully curated by the Library Media Specialist using both the School Library Journal and the American Library Association recommendations.

Have a great summer and happy reading! Mrs. Hazley, Library Media Specialist

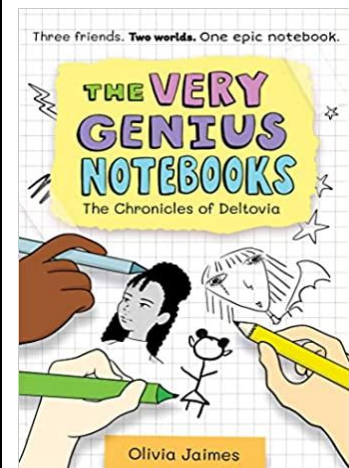
6th Grade



After a bold style statement on picture day, on all things style life-advice and more. But she gets so caught up in being an influencer that her close circle starts to suffer.



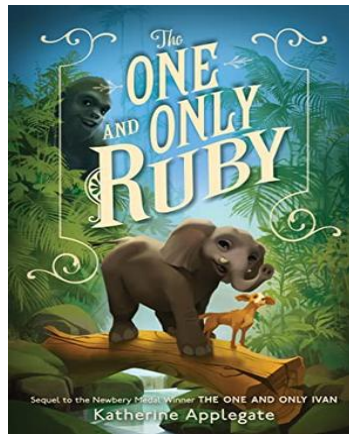
In a fantasy adventure every bit as compelling and confident in its world building as her Newbery Honor Book *A Wish in the Dark*, Christina Soontornvat explores a young woman's struggle to unburden herself of the past and chart her own destiny in a world of secrets.



Three friends. Two worlds. One epic notebook. Escape into *The Chronicles of Deltovia*, the greatest story still being written! Three middle school girls—Misha, June, and Ollie—know their epic fantasy story could be the next *Lord of the Rings*



Rising sixth grader Katie is different from other kids, what with her freckles, being home-schooled, and the worries constantly buzzing in her head. Traversing the beginning of middle school and her evolving relationships and mental health just makes the buzzing in Katie's head get louder and more persistent.



In this follow-up to 2020's *The One and Only Bob*, Ruby the elephant is still living at Wildworld Zoological Park and Sanctuary. She's apprehensive about her Tusksday, a rite of passage for young elephants when she'll give a speech in front of the rest of the herd. Luckily, she can confide in her Uncle Ivan, who is next door in Gorilla World, and Uncle Bob, the dog who lives nearby with human friend Julia.

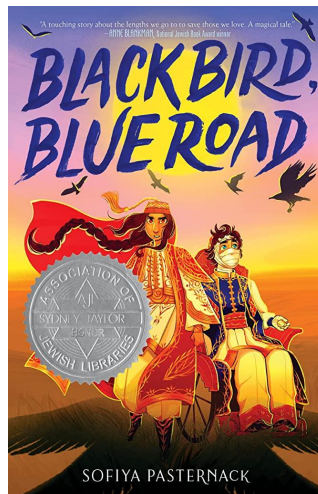


Zeke tries to be a good kid, but most days, he can't resist pulling a great prank or instigating his classmates into mayhem. So, imagine his shock when he gets an invitation to join *The Greatest Kid in the World* contest.

7th & 8th Grades



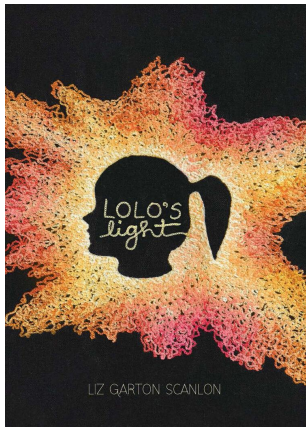
Juliet accompanies her mother on a month-long work trip to a California beach town. There she meets surfer girl Summer, who helps Juliet come out of her shell. Each navigates their own family pain: Juliet's parents are recently divorced; Summer's brother is in a coma.



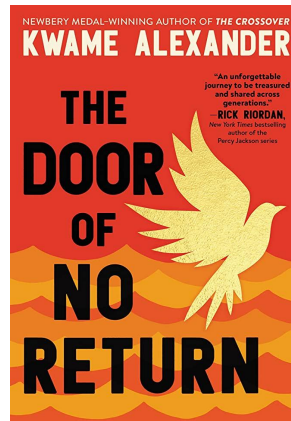
This historical fantasy novel includes deep philosophical questions about life and death, alongside adrenaline-filled action, as a Jewish girl attempts to save her dying brother by any means necessary.



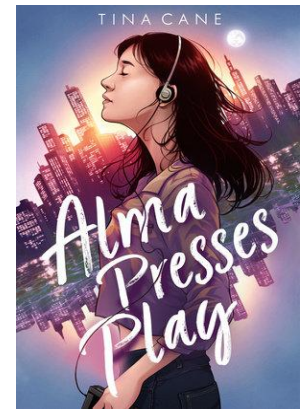
Kate is being celebrated after rescuing a classmate from drowning, but what happens when everyone finds out what really happened that day at the lake?



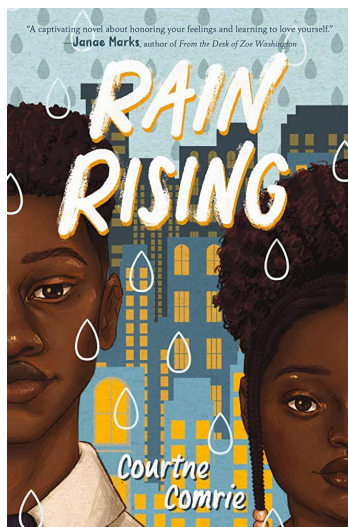
The morning after twelve-year-old Millie babysits for her neighbors, she learns that the infant she watched passed away overnight. This coming-of-age novel explores the processes of loss, guilt, grief, and acceptance.



Kofi, an eleven-year-old boy from the village of Upper Kwanta, is ripped away from his family and community in this gripping novel in verse.



In this verse novel, half-Chinese, half-Jewish Alma comes to terms with her parents' divorce, her mother's move to a new state, a challenging end-of-the-year project.



In this novel in verse, middle-schooler Rain is secretly dealing with depression and low self esteem. After her brother is brutally beaten in a hate crime attack, Rain confronts her trauma and begins a challenging yet rewarding journey to healing.



When she sets out to investigate the fall of fellow student Rachel Riley from popular girl to middle school pariah, new student Anna Hunt discovers a shocking story. Told in podcast episodes, emails, texts, and more, this is a zinger of a book. If you haven't already read this inventive, immersive, and important book about sexual harassment—run, don't walk!

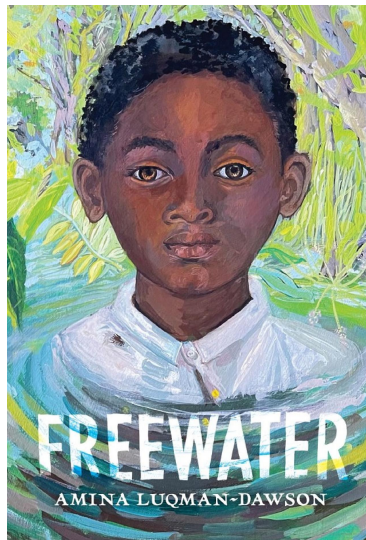


After surviving a school shooting, Simon and his parents (one a priest, the other a mortician) move to a town in America's National Quiet Zone with no internet or TV. As Simon tries to stay under the radar, new friends, a new mission, and a warm community draw him out in this funny, quirky, and moving release about science and PTSD.

Wyckoff Public Library - has a variety of activities, events and book suggestions for our Middle School students. Check out their new genre lists with great recommendations for your next read!

Book Club for Kids - Free podcast where middle school students talk about books with host Kitty Felde.

2023 Newberry Award Winner

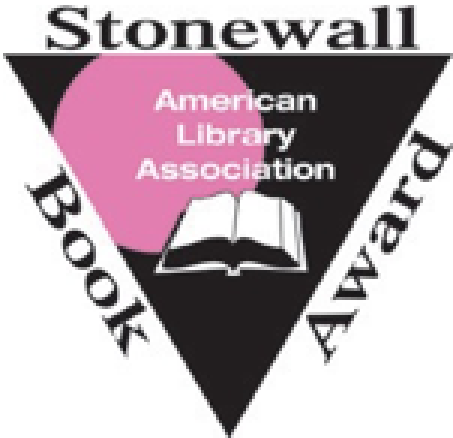




The Newbery Medal was named for eighteenth-century British bookseller John Newbery. It is awarded annually by the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association, to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children.



Other Book Awards

Below are individual links to some of the major American Young Adult's Book Awards

 The logo for the Stonewall Book Award is a black inverted triangle. Inside the triangle, there is a pink circle containing the text "American Library Association" and a white icon of an open book. The words "Stonewall" and "Award" are written in white at the top and bottom of the triangle, respectively, and "BOOK" is written vertically on the left side.	<p><u>Stonewall Book Awards</u> <u>– Children's and Young Adult Literature</u></p> <p>Presented annually to English language works of exceptional merit relating to the LGBTQ experience</p>
 The logo for the Coretta Scott King Book Awards is a circular emblem with a gold border. Inside, there is a stylized figure of a person with arms raised, set against a background of a large, golden, triangular structure resembling a tent or a monument. The text "Non-Violent Social Change" is at the top, "Peace" is on the left, and "Equality" is on the right. At the bottom, it says "WINNER" and "CORETTA SCOTT KING AWARDS".	<p><u>Coretta Scott King Book Awards</u></p> <p>Presented annually to outstanding African American authors and illustrators of books for children and young adults that demonstrate an appreciation of African American culture</p>
 The logo for the Jane Addams Children's Book Award is a circular silver medal. It features a relief of four children of diverse backgrounds. The text "JANE ADDAMS CHILDREN'S BOOK AWARD" is inscribed around the perimeter of the medal.	<p><u>Jane Addams Children's Book Award</u></p> <p>Presented annually to children's books that effectively promote the cause of peace, social justice, world community, and the equality of the sexes and all races, as well as meet conventional standards for excellence.</p>



American Indian Youth Literature Award

Presented every two years by the American Indian Library Association to identify and honor the very best writing and illustrations by and about American Indians.



Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature

Presented annually by the Asian Pacific American Librarians Association, the award honors and recognizes individual work about Asian/Pacific Americans and their heritage based on literary and artistic merit.



Batchelder Award

The Batchelder Award is given to the most outstanding children's book originally published in a language other than English in a country other than the United States and subsequently translated into English for publication in the United States.



Boston Globe Horn Book Awards

Presented annually, the Boston Globe Horn Book Awards reward excellence in children's and young adult literature.



Eisner Award – Best Publications for Kids and Teens

The Will Eisner Comic Industry Awards, considered the “Oscars” of the comic book industry, are given out in more than two-dozen categories covering the best publications and creators of the previous year.



Children's Literature Legacy Award

Presented annually to an author or illustrator whose work has, over a number of years, made a lasting contribution to literature for children and young adults.



[The Odyssey Award](#)

Presented annually to the best audio book for children or young adults.



[Pura Belpré Medal](#)

Presented annually to a Latino/Latina/LatinX writer or illustrator whose work best portrays the Latin cultural experience in literature for children or teens.



[Sibert Award](#)

Presented annually to the author and/or illustrator of the best informational/nonfiction book for children and young adults.