



2023 Master List

Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award

Illinois Children's Choice Award

Author	Title	Publisher	Pub Date	Interest Levels
Alston, B.B.	Amari and the Night Brothers	Balzer + Bray	2021	4-7
Bildner, Phil	A High Five for Glenn Burke	Farrar Straus Giroux	2020	6-8
Blankman, Anne	The Blackbird Girls	Viking	2020	5-8
Braden, Ann	The Benefits of Being an Octopus	Sky Pony Press	2018	6-8
Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker	Fighting Words	Dial Books for Young Readers	2020	5-8
Cartaya, Pablo	Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish	Viking	2018	5-7
Cisneros, Ernesto	Efrén Divided	Harper	2020	5-7
Colbert, Brandy	The Only Black Girls in Town	Little, Brown and Company	2020	6-8
Cuevas, Adrianna	The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez	Farrar Straus Giroux	2020	4-6
Currie, Lindsay	Scratch Scratch	Sourcebooks Young Readers	2020	4-8
Faruqi, Saadia	A Thousand Questions	Quill Tree Books	2020	5-7
Harrell, Rob	Wink	Dial Books for Young Readers	2020	5-8
Jamieson, Victoria and Mohamed, Omar	When Stars Are Scattered	Dial Books for Young Readers	2020	4-8
Kyi, Tanya Lloyd	This is Your Brain on Stereotypes	Kids Can Press	2020	7-8
Messner, Kate	Chirp	Bloomsbury Children's Books	2020	4-6
Pancholy, Maulik	The Best At It	Balzer + Bray	2019	6-8
Rhodes, Jewell Parker	Black Brother, Black Brother	Little, Brown and Company	2020	6-8
Soontornvat, Christina	All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team	Candlewick Press	2020	4-8
Venable, Colleen A.F. and Yue, Stephanie	Katie the Catsitter	Random House	2021	4-8
Woodson, Jacqueline	Before the Ever After	Nancy Paulsen	2020	4-6

Interest levels reflect a title's combination of ability and appeal for young readers as suggested by the RCYRBA Board of Directors. With each annual list, participants should evaluate, purchase and promote only those books which they determine appropriate for their students and the grade levels served. Be reminded, to participate in the program, you need only offer 12 of the titles.