**2018 LYRC 3-5th Grade**

**Narrowed Committee Consideration List**

*\*\*Note: The following titles were strongly considered but were not included on the final list of 15 nominated titles.*

1. **Appleblossom the Possum** by Holly Goldberg Sloan, 9780803741331, 288 pgs. Penguin. IL:LG – BL:4.7 – AR Pts:5.0. [animals, family, adventure]
2. **Bayou Magic** by Jewell Parker Rhodes, 9780316224840, 256 pgs. Little, Brown. IL:MG – BL:3.1 – AR Pts:4.0. [Louisiana interest: set in New Orleans, female main character, alcoholism, fantasy]
3. **Bewitched in Oz** by Laura J. Burns, 9781434292070, 255 pgs. Capstone/Stone Arch Books. IL:MG – BL:4.5 – AR Pts:7.0. [fantasy, Wizard of Oz characters, some romance]
4. **The Boy Who Fell Off the Mayflower or John Howland’s Good Fortune** by P.J. Lynch, 9780763665845, 64 pgs. Candlewick Press. IL:LG – BL:5.5 – AR Pts:0.5. [narrative of the Mayflower crossing, picture book, male protagonist]
5. **Chasing Secrets** by Gennifer Choldenko, 9780375990632, 228 pgs. Random House Children’s Books. IL:MG – BL:3.7 – AR Pts:7.0. [mystery, female protagonist, historical fiction]
6. **Crime Biters** by Tommy Greenwald, 97805454773324, 198 pgs. Scholastic. IL:MG – BL:4.0 – AR Pts:4.0 [male protagonist, mystery, animals, humor]
7. **The Day the Mustache Took Over** by Alan Katz, illustrated by Kris Easler, 9781619635586, 208 pgs. Bloomsbury. IL:MG – BL:5.1 – AR Pts:3.0. [twins, babysitters, responsibility, realistic fiction, humor]
8. **Dear Hank Williams** by Kimberly Willis Holt, 9780805080223, 224 pgs. Henry Holt & Company. IL:MG – BL:5.2 – AR Pts:5.0. [female main character, Louisiana interest, historical fiction: 1948, pen pals]
9. **Diary of a Mad Brownie (The Enchanted Files)** by Bruce Coville, 9780385392471, 241 pgs. Random House. IL:MG – BL:5.3 – AR Pts:7.0. [fantasy, humor, switching viewpoints]
10. **Dinosaur Boy** by Cory Putman Oakes, 9781492603379, 217 pgs. Sourcebooks Jabberwocky. IL:MG – BL:5.1 – AR Pts:7.0. [science fiction, aliens, dragons, humor]
11. **A Dragon’s Guide to the Care and Feeding of Humans** by Lawrence Yep and Joanne Ryder, 9780385392280, 152 pgs. Crown Books for Young Readers. IL:MG – BL:5.6 – AR Pts:5.0. [fantasy, dragons have humans as pets, humor, friendship]
12. **Earmuffs for Everyone!: How Chester Greenwood Became Known as the Inventor of Earmuffs** by Meghan McCarthy, 9781481406376, 48 pgs. S&S/ Paula Wiseman Books. IL: LG - BL: 4.4 - AR Pts: 0.5. [nonfiction, humor, picture book]
13. **Finding the Music: En pas de la música** by/por Jennifer Torres, illustrated by/illustrado por Renato Alarcão, 9780892392919, 40 pgs. Lee & Low. IL:LG – BL:3.5 – AR Pts:0.5. [multicultural, sweet story of family]
14. **Fish in a Tree** by Lynda Mullaly Hunt, 9780399162596, 288 pgs. Penguin. IL:MG – BL:3.7 – AR Pts:7.0. [female main character, dyslexia, middle school]
15. **Flexible Wings** by Veda Stamps, 97809960335705. 298 pgs. IMO Books. No AR yet. [challenges of being in a military family]
16. **For the Right to Learn: Malala Yousafzai’s Story** by Rebecca Langston-George, illustrated by Janna Bock, 9781491460719, 40 pgs. Capstone. IL:MG – BL:4.9 – AR Pts:0.5. [nonfiction, female main character, multicultural interest, education, biography, human rights]
17. **Game Changer: John Mclendon and the Secret Game** by John Coy, illustrated by Randy Duburke, 9781467726047, 32 pgs. Carolrhoda Picture Books. IL:LG – BL:5.7 – AR Pts:0.5. [non-fiction, African American interest, basketball]
18. **Growing Up Pedro: How the Martinez Brothers Made It from the Dominican Republic All the Way to the Major Leagues** by Matt Tavares, 9780763668242, 40 pgs. Candlewick. IL:LG – BL:4.6 – AR Pts:0.5. [nonfiction, biography: Pedro Martinez, baseball, multi-cultural interest]
19. **Hamster Princess: Harriet the Invincible** by Ursula Vernon, 9780803739833, 208 pgs. Dial. IL:LG – BL:5.1 – AR Pts:2.0. [heroes, female main character, animals: mice/hamsters/quails, Sleeping Beauty retelling, graphic novel style illustrations]
20. **A Handful of Stars** by Cynthia Lord, 9780545700276, 184 pgs. Scholastic. IL:MG – BL:4.4 – AR Pts:5.0. [friendship, female protagonists, animals, pageant, change]
21. **The Island of Dr. Libris** by Chris Grabenstein, 9780385388443, 256 pgs. Random House. IL:MG – BL:4.3 – AR Pts:5.0. [fantasy, book characters coming to life, bullies]
22. **Jack – The True Story of Jack and the Beanstalk** by Liesl Shurtliff, 9780385755795, 304 pgs. Random House. IL:MG – BL:4.4 – AR Pts:10.0. [fantasy, adventure, humor]
23. **Lucky Strike** by Bobbie Pyron, 9780545592178, 266 pgs. Scholastic, Inc. IL:MG – BL:5.2 – AR Pts:7.0. [realistic fiction, friendship, male protagonist]
24. **Fires of Invention (Mysteries of Cove series bk.1)** by J. Scott Savage, 9781629720920, Shadow Mountain Publishing, 288 pgs. IL:MG – BL:5.0 – AR Pts:13.0. [fantasy, steampunk, adventure, friendship]
25. **Night of the Living Worms (Speed Bump & Slingshot #1)** by Dave Corley, 9780805088861, 128 pgs. Henry Holt. No AR yet. [bird hero, adventure, animals, graphic novel, elements]
26. **Over in the Wetlands: A Hurricane-on-the-Bayou Story** by Caroline Starr Rose, 97804498104163, 40 pgs. Random House. IL:LG – BL:3.8 – AR Pts:0.5. [nature/hurricane, animals, poetry, wetland facts]
27. **Poems in the Attic** by Nikki Grimes, illustrated by Elizabeth Zunon, 9781620140277, 48 pgs. Lee & Low. IL:LG – BL:3.9 – AR Pts:0.5. [female main character, poetry, mother-daughter relationship]
28. **Rescue on the Oregon Trail (Ranger in Time #1)** by Kate Messner, 9780545639149, 144 pgs. Scholastic, Inc. IL:MG – BL:4.5 – AR Pts:2.0. [time travel, adventure, animal protagonist, historical fiction]
29. **Ruby on the Outside** by Nora Raleigh Baskin, 9781442485037, 176 pgs. Simon & Schuster. IL:MG – BL:4.5 – AR Pts:5.0. [realistic fiction, female main character, friendship, incarcerated parent]
30. **Serafina and the Black Cloak** by Robert Beatty, 97801484709016, 304 pgs. DisneyHyperion. IL:MG – BL:5.9 – AR Pts:11.0. [fantasy, mystery, female protagonist, set in 1899]
31. **The Story of Diva and Flea** by Mo Willems, illustrated by Tony DiTerlizzi, 9781484722848, 90 pgs. Disney. IL:LG – BL:4.6 – AR Pts:1.0. [graphic novel, animals, multicultural interest: Paris, facing fears]
32. **Wangari Maathai: The Woman Who Planted Millions of Trees** by Frank Prevot, illustrated by Aurelia Fronty, 9781580896269, 48 pgs. Charlesbeidge. No AR yet. [biography, African American interest, female main character, environmental care]
33. **The War That Saved My Life** by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley, 9780803740815, 320 pgs. Penguin Young Readers Group. IL:MG – BL:4.1 – AR Pts:9.0. [historical fiction, disability, WWII, female protagonist]
34. **Woof: A Bowser & Birdie Novel** by Spencer Quinn, 9780545643313, 293 pgs. Scholastic. IL:MG – BL:4.3 – AR Pts:9.0. [realistic fiction, mystery, animal]