



Louisiana Young Readers' Choice (LYRC) Awards Program 2019-2020 Nominated Titles

Grades 3-5:

1. *Army Brats* by Daphne Benedis-Grab (Scholastic)
2. *Balderdash: John Newbery and the Boisterous Birth of Children's Books* by Michelle Markel, illustrated by Nancy Carpenter (Chronicle Books)
3. *A Boy Called Bat (#1)* by Elana K. Arnold, illustrated by Charles Santoso (Walden Pond Press)
4. *Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut* by Derrick Barnes (Agate Publishing, Inc.)
5. *Give Bees a Chance* by Bethany Barton (Penguin Young Readers Group)
6. *Grace Hopper: Queen of Computer Code* by Laurie Wallmark, illustrated by Katy Wu (Sterling Children's Books)
7. *Imagine That!: How Dr. Seuss Wrote the Cat in the Hat* by Judy Sierra (Random House Children's Books)
8. *Jake the Fake Keeps it Real* by Craig Robinson and Adam Mansbach, illustrated by Keith Knight (Crown Books for Young readers)
9. *Lemons* by Melissa Savage (Crown Books for Young Readers)
10. *Malala – Activist for Girl's Education* by Raphaëlle Frier, illustrated by Aurelia Fronty (Charlesbridge)
11. *Sled Dog School* by Terry Lynn Johnson (Houghton Mifflin Harcourt)
12. *The Explorers: The Door in the Alley* by Adrienne Kress (Delacorte Press)
13. *The Princess and the Peas* by Rachel Himes (Charlesbridge)
14. *Wedgie & Gizmo* by Suzanne Selfors (HarperCollins Publishers)
15. *Wishtree* by Katherine Applegate, illustrated by Charles Santoso (Feiwel & Friends)

Grades 6-8:

1. *All's Faire in Middle School* by Victoria Jameson (Dial Books)
2. *Beyond the Bright Sea* by Lauren Wolk (Dutton Books for Young Readers)
3. *Brave* by Svetlana Chmakova (JY)
4. *Clayton Byrd Goes Underground* by Rita Williams-Garcia (Amistad)
5. *Forget Me Not* by Ellie Terry (Feiwel & Friends)
6. *Frogkisser!* by Garth Nix (Scholastic Press)
7. *Greetings from Witness Protection!* by Jake Burt (Feiwel & Friends)
8. *In the Shadow of the Sun* by Anne Sibley O'Brien (Arthur A. Levine Books)
9. *Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* by Dusti Bowling (Sterling Children's Books)
10. *Refugee* by Alan Gratz (Scholastic)
11. *Slider* by Pete Hautman (Candlewick)
12. *The Red Bandanna (Young Readers Adaptation)* by Tom Rinaldi (Viking Books for Young Readers)

Grades 9-12:

1. *The 57 Bus: A True Story of Two Teenagers and the Crime That Changed Their Lives* by Dashka Slater (FSG for Young Readers)
2. *An Enchantment of Ravens* by Margaret Rogerson (Margaret K. McElderry Books)
3. *Geekerella* by Ashley Poston (Quirk Books)
4. *Goodbye Days* by Jeff Zentner (Crown Books for Young Readers)
5. *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas (Balzer + Bray)
6. *Long Way Down* by Jason Reynolds (Atheneum/Caitlyn Dlouhy Books)
7. *Nyxia* by Scott Reintgen (Random House Children's Books)
8. *One of Us is Lying* by Karen M. McManus (Delacorte Press)
9. *Warcross* by Maria Lu (Penguin Young Readers Group)
10. *You Bring the Distant Near* by Mitali Perkins (FSG for Young Readers)

For information about the program including previous winners, how to participate and additional resources such as free bookmarks, posters, and study guides, please visit the [Louisiana Young Readers' Choice Program webpage](#).