**2018 LYRC 6-8th Grade**

**Narrowed Committee Consideration List**

*\*\*Note: The following titles were strongly considered but were not included on the final list of 12 nominated titles.*

1. **Baba Yaga’s Assistant** by Marika McCoola, illustrated by Emily Carroll, 9780763669614, 136 pgs. Candlewick. IL: MG - BL: 2.8 - AR Pts: 1.0. [female main character, fantasy, horror, graphic novel]
2. **The Baking Life of Amelie Day** by Vanessa Curtis, 9781623705060, 176 pgs. Capstone. IL: MG - BL: 5.7 - AR Pts: 6.0. [realistic fiction, female main character with a cystic fibrosis, baking competition]
3. **The Bubble Wrap Boy** by Phil Earle, 9780553513158, 288 pgs. Random House. No AR yet. [realistic fiction, family, sports: skateboarding, family, humor]
4. **Chasing Secrets** by Gennifer Choldenko, 9780385742535, 288 pgs. Random House. IL: MG - BL: 3.7 - AR Pts: 7.0. [historical fiction, mystery, female main character, multicultural interest, plague]
5. **Convergence (The Zodiac Legacy #1)** by Stan Lee and Stuart Moore, illustrated by Andie Tong, 9781423180852, 480 pgs. Disney Press. IL: MG - BL: 4.8 - AR Pts: 11.0. [superpowers, Chinese American interest, Chinese zodiac, origin story]
6. **Finding Audrey** by Sophie Kinsella, 9780553536515, 304 pgs. Random House. IL: UG - BL: 3.9 - AR Pts: 8.0. [female main character, realistic fiction, anxiety, romance, humor, family]
7. **Fires of Invention (Mysteries of Cove #1)** by J. Scott Savage, 9781629720920, 288 pgs. Deseret. IL: MG - BL: 5.0 - AR Pts: 13.0. [steampunk, dragons, technology, creativity, STEM, friendship]
8. **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]
9. **Goodbye Stranger** by Rebecca Stead, 9780385743174, 304 pgs. Random House. IL: MG - BL: 3.9 - AR Pts: 7.0. [realistic fiction, female main character, 7th grade, friendship and relationships, growing up]
10. **Hoodoo** by Ronald L. Smith, 9780544445253, 224 pgs. Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. IL: MG - BL: 4.2 - AR Pts: 6.0. [historical fiction: 1930s AL, horror, supernatural Southern folk tale, witchcraft, some death]
11. **I Am Princess X** by Cherie Priest, 9780545620857, 240 pgs. Scholastic. IL: MG+ - BL: 5.3 - AR Pts: 9.0. [female main character, mystery, web comics, action/adventure, text and drawings format]
12. **The Imaginary** by A.F. Harrold, illustrated by Emily Gravett, 9780802738110, 240 pgs. Bloomsbury. IL: MG - BL: 4.7 - AR Pts: 6.0. [imaginary friends, adventure]
13. **The Island of Dr. Libris** by Chris Grabenstein, 9780385388443, 256 pgs. Random House. IL: MG - BL: 4.3 - AR Pts: 5.0. [summer vacation, divorce, magical realism/fantasy, works of classic literature come alive, mystery]
14. **Listen, Slowly** by Thanhhà Lai, 9780062229182, 272 pgs. HarperCollins. IL: MG - BL: 5.3 - AR Pts: 9.0. [female main character, realistic fiction, multicultural interest: Vietnam, family, identity]
15. **The Lost Prince (Seaborne #1)** by Matt Myklusch, 9781606845257, 400 pgs. Lerner. No AR yet. [pirates, mistaken identity, mystery].
16. **Mark of the Thief (#1)** by Jennifer A. Nielson, 9780545561549, 352 pgs. Scholastic. IL: MG - BL: 5.2 - AR Pts: 12.0. [historical fiction, fantasy, conspiracy/rebellion]
17. **Moving Target** by Christina Diaz Gonzales, 9780545773188, 250 pgs. Scholastic. IL: MG - BL: 4.4 - AR Pts: 8.0. [female main character, mystery, fantasy/action, study abroad]
18. **The Nest** by Kenneth Oppel, illustrated by Jon Klassen, 9781481432320, 256 pgs. Simon & Schuster. IL: MG - BL: 4.3 - AR Pts: 5.0. [psychological thriller, anxiety, siblings, dreams, wasps, horror]
19. **The Only Game** by Mike Lupica, 9781481409957, 320 pgs. Simon & Schuster. IL:MG – BL:5.0 – AR Pts:9.0. {baseball, loss of a sibling, realistic fiction]
20. **Paper Things** by Jennifer Richard Jacobson, 9780763663230, 384 pgs. Candlewick. IL: MG - BL: 5.4 - AR Pts: 10.0. [female main character, homelessness, middle school, realistic fiction]
21. **Promise** by Judy Young, 9781585369140, 368 pgs. Sleeping Bear. No AR yet. [realistic fiction, family, school, parent out of prison]
22. **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]
23. **The Sleeper and the Spindle** by Neil Gaiman, illustrated by Chris Riddell, 9780062398246, 64 pgs. HarperCollins. IL: MG+ - BL: 5.3 - AR Pts: 1.0. [fairy tale retelling: Snow White and Sleeping Beauty, female main character, fantasy]
24. **Sunny Side Up** by Jennifer L. Holm, illustrated by Matthew Holm and Lark Pien, 9780545741651, 224 pgs. Scholastic. IL: MG - BL: 2.4 - AR Pts: 0.5 [realistic fiction, female main character, family, graphic novel, drug addiction, comics]
25. **The Sword of Summer (Magnus Chase and the Gods of Asgard #1)** by Rick Riordan, 978-1423160915, 512 pgs, Disney-Hyperion, IL: MG – BL: 4.8 – AR Pts: 18. [first in a new series, Norse mythology, for fans of Percy Jackson]
26. **The Truth About Twinkie Pie** by Kay Yeh, 9780316236621, 352 pgs. Little, Brown. IL: MG - BL: 4.6 - AR Pts: 9.0. [realistic fiction, female main characters, family, sisters, family secrets, cooking]
27. **We Are All Made of Molecules** by Susin Nielson, 9780553496864, 256 pgs. Random House. IL: MG+ - BL: 4.7 - AR Pts: 8.0. [realistic fiction, alternating narration, blending families]