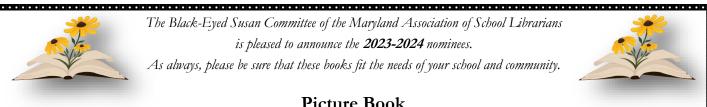


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Picture Book

All the Way to the Top: How One Girl's Fight for Americans with Disabilities Changed Everything by Annette Bay Pimentel, illustrated by Nabi H. Ali Beautifully Me by Nabela Noor, illustrated by Nabi H. Ali

Everywhere with You by Carlie Sorosiak, illustrated by Devon Holzwarth

Finding Fire by Logan S. Kline

Home by Tonya Lippert, illustrated by Andrea Stegmaier

Listen to the Language of the Trees: A Story of How Forests Communicate Underground by Tera Kelley, illustrated by Marie Hermansson

Listen: How Evelyn Glennie, A Deaf Girl, Changed Percussion by Shannon Stocker, illustrated by Devon Holzwarth

Looking for a Jumbie by Tracey Baptiste, illustrated by Amber Ren

Lunch from Home by Joshua David Stein, illustrated by Jing Li

My First Day by Phung Nguyen Quang and Huynh Kim Lien

Nacho's Nachos: The Story Behind the World's Favorite Snack by Sandra Nickel, illustrated by Oliver Dominquez

The Floating Field: How a Group of Thai Boys Built Their Own Soccer Field by Scott Riley, illustrated by Nguyen Quang and Kim Lien

The Pig War: How a Porcine Tragedy Taught England and American to Share by Emma Bland Smith, illustrated by Alison Jay

There's a Ghost in This House by Oliver Jeffers

XO, Exoplanet by Deborah Underwood, illustrated by Jorge Lacera

Grades 3-5

Anybody Here Seen Frenchie? by Leslie Connor

Chester Keene Cracks the Code by Kekla Magoon

Cookies & Milk by Shawn Amos, illustrated by Robert Paul

Honestly Elliott by Gillian McDunn

How to Win a Slime War by Mae Respicio

Just Right Jillian by Nicole D. Collier

Maizy Chen's Last Chance by Lisa Yee

The Natural Genius of Ants by Betty Culley

Odder by Katherine Applegate, illustrated by Charles Santoso

Once Upon a Tim by Stuart Gibbs, illustrated by Stacy Curtis

Graphic Novels: Grades 3-5

The Aquanaut by Dan Santat

Garlic & the Vampire by Bree Paulsen

Katie the Catsitter by Colleen AF Venable, illustrated by Stephanie Yue

Miss Quinces by Kat Fajardo

Saving Sorya: Chang and the Sun Bear by Trang Nguyen, illustrated by Jeet Zdung The Secret Garden on 81st Street by Ivy Noelle Weir, illustrated by Amber Padilla

Sort of Super by Eric Gapstur

Swim Team by Johnnie Christmas

Wait Till Helen Comes: A ghost story graphic novel by Mary Downing Hahn, illustrated by Meredith Laxton

Yummy: A History of Desserts by Victoria Grace Elliott