The Black-Eyed Susan Committee of the Maryland Association of School Librarians is pleased to announce the 2023-2024 nominees. As always, please be sure that these books fit the needs of your school and community.

**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