

Newly Released Picture Books

Telephone.....Mac Burnett
Pete the Cat - Cavecat Pete.....James Dean
Click, Clack, Peep.....Doreen Cronin
Winnie: The True Story of the Bear Who Inspired Winnie the Pooh.....Sally Walker
Noodle Magic.....Roseanne Greenfield
The Rain Came Down.....David Shannon
And Then It's Spring.....Julie Fogliano
Press Here.....Herve' Tullet
I Know a Bear.....Mariana Ruiz Johnson

To Be Read a Million Times

Charlotte's Web.....E.B. White
Because Of Winn Dixie.....Kate DiCamillo
Tuck Everlasting.....Natalie Babbitt
Where the Red Fern Grows.....Wilson Rawls
Harriet the Spy.....Louise Fitzhugh
The Lightning Thief.....Rick Riordan
Sarah, Plain and Tall.....Patricia MacLachlan
The Boxcar Children Series...Gertrude Chandler Warner
Island of the Blue Dolphins.....Scott O'Dell

Books for Social Development

Stick and Stone.....Beth Ferry
If You Plant a Seed.....Kadir Nelson
Interrupting Chicken.....David Ezra Stein
Sing.....Joe Raposo
Too Tall Houses.....Gianna Marino
Frank.....Connah Brecon
Llama, Llama, and the Bully Goat.....Anna Dewdney
Are You Confident Today?.....K. Yankee & M. Nelson
Brick by Brick.....Paul LaBaere
Let's Change That..... Dr. Bashar Salame



Online Resources for Kids

Michigan eLibrary for Kids <http://kids.mel.org> Detroit Public TV Kids Club <http://www.dptv.org/kids/>
 Discovery Kids <http://discoverykids.com> Michigan Kids <http://www.michigan.gov/kids/>
 Detroit Tigers Kids Site http://detroit.tigers.mlb.com/det/fan_forum/kids_index.jsp

Great Free APPS

Kids Writing Pad Lite– *Practice writing numbers and letters*

Toontastic– *Learn to animate stories*

Story Kit– *Edit and rewrite classic fairy tales*

Vocabulary Spelling City - *Create a spelling lists or use one that is computer generated*

Grammaropolis– *Consider the Schoolhouse Rock for the 21st Century*



Visit Your Local Library Today

Do your family members have their own library cards? One way to establish a love of reading is to frequently visit your local library. Libraries have wonderful collections of books, audio, and other media resources for you to borrow. Libraries also host summer reading initiatives and special events for kids. Visit your local library and bring this summer reading list with you for book recommendations.



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2015 Summer Book List Kindergarten–Grade 5



The summer months are a wonderful time for you to help your children develop a love for books and reading — and the staff at the Macomb Intermediate School District hopes you will enjoy the adventures awaiting you in our 2015 Summer Book List.

This list will help assure that your children are reading high quality literature. All the books on the list are available at your neighborhood library or book store. Your local librarian or book store sales person can suggest additional titles, too.

The Macomb Intermediate School District is working hard to help every student in every Macomb County school achieve at high levels and literacy is a top priority. We need your support in ensuring that your children meet these expectations. Your example and encouragement will go a long way toward reaching the goal of every student becoming an excellent reader.

Happy reading!

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Great Lakes Great Books Award Winners 2014-2015

Kindergarten and First Grade

The Day the Crayons Quit.....Drew Daywalt
Mr. Wuffles!.....David Weisner
I'm a Frog.....Mo Willems

Second and Third Grade

Battle Bunny.....Jon Scieszka & Mac Barnett
Memoirs of a Hamster.....Devin Scillian
White Fur Flying.....Patricia MacLachlan

Fourth and Fifth Grade

The Boy on the Porch.....Sharon Creech
Flora & Ulysses.....Kate DiCamillo
Fortunately the Milk.....Neil Gaiman

Michigan Authored/ Illustrated Books

Picture Day Perfection.....Deborah Diesen
Dog Days of School.....Kelly DiPucchio
I Had a Favorite Hat.....Boni Ashburn
The Groundhog's Dilemma.....Kristen Remener
Let Sleeping Bear Dunes Lie.....Lori Taylor
If You Want to See a Whale.....Erin Stead
Bat's Night Out.....Buffy Silverman
Can You Think It? Can You Dream It? Kevin Kammeraad
Robot Zot.....Jon Scieszka

So you want to be an author, too? Visit these sites:

Scholastic Story Starters

<http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/story-starters/>

PBS Kids

<http://pbskids.org/writerscontest/create-stories>

Scholastic Poetry

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/writewit/poetry/index.htm>

How to Write a Book Report

<http://kids.usa.gov/reading-and-writing/book-report/index.shtml>

Preschool Writing Activity Ideas for Parents & Kids

<http://www.education.com/activity/preschool/writing/>

Great Lakes Great Books Award Nominees 2015-2016

Get a jump start on reading the Michigan Reading Association's nominees for the 2015-2016 Great Lakes Great Book Awards.

Nominated titles include:

Kindergarten and First Grade

Gaston.....Kelly DiPucchio
The Lion and the Bird.....Marianne Dubuc
The Farmer and the Clown.....Marla Frazee
One Big Pair of Underwear.....Laura Gehl
Once Upon an Alphabet.....Oliver Jeffers
Maple.....Lori Nichols
Three Bears in a Boat.....David Soman
Mama Built a Little Nest.....Jennifer Ward

Second and Third Grade

My Teacher is a Monster!.....Peter Brown
Firebird.....Misty Copeland
The Scraps Book.....Lois Ehlert
My Explosive Diary.....Emily Gale
The Year of Billy Miller.....Kevin Henkes
Creature Features.....Steve Jenkins
Fly Away.....Patricia MacLachlan
I Love You Just Enough.....Robbyn Smith van Frankenhuyzen

Fourth and Fifth Grade

El Deafo.....Cece Bell
The Madman of Piney Woods.....Christopher Paul Curtis
Space Case.....Stuart Gibbs
The Mark of the Dragonfly.....Jaleigh Johnson
A Snicker of Magic.....Natalie Lloyd
Half a Chance.....Cynthia Lord
Zane and the Hurricane.....Rodman Philbrick
Winter Bees.....Joyce Sidman



2015 Award Winning Books as announced by the American Library Association

John Newbery Medal

John Newbery Medal for the most outstanding contribution to children's literature.

The Crossover.....Kwame Alexander

John Newbery Honor Book

El Deafo.....Cece Bell
Brown Girl Dreaming.....Jacqueline Woodson

Randolph Caldecott Medal

Randolph Caldecott Medal for the most distinguished American picture book for children.

The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend.....Dan Santat

Randolph Caldecott Honor Books

Nana in the City.....Lauren Castillo
The Noisy Paint Box.....Barb Rosenstock/ Mary GrandPre
Sam & Dave Dig a Hole.....Mac Barnett/ Jon Klassen
Viva Frida.....Yiyi Morales
The Right Word: Roget and His Thesaurus.....J. Bryanny/ M. Sweet
This One Summer.....Mariko Tamaki/ Jillian Tamaki

Coretta Scott King (Author) Award

Coretta Scott King Award recognizing an African American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults.

Brown Girl Dreaming.....Jacqueline Woodson

Coretta Scott King (Author) Honor Books

The Crossover.....Kwame Alexander
How I Discovered Poetry.....Marilyn Nelson
How It Went Down.....Kekla Magoon

Coretta Scott King (Illustrator) Award

Firebird.....Christopher Myers

Coretta Scott King (Illustrator) Honor Books

Josephine: the Dazzling Life of Josephine Baker.....P. Hruby Powell
Little Melba and her Bog Trombone.....Katheryn Russell- Brown