



2023 NOMINATED BOOKS

Read each book in your grade category, and
VOTE FOR YOUR FAVORITE
in February 2023!

PRE-K - 2ND GRADE

As Strong as a River
written & illustrated by Sarah Noble

Chick Chat
written & illustrated by Janie Bynum

Hans Christian Andersen: The Journey of Life
written by Heinz Janisch
illustrated by Maja Kastelic

Hello Earth!: Poems to Our Planet
written by Joyce Sidman
illustrated by Miren Aisain Lora

Peace
written by Baptiste & Miranda Paul
illustrated by Estelí Meza

The Bear and the Duck
written & illustrated by May Angeli

The Crow and the Peacock
written & illustrated by Jo Fernihough

The Last Tiger
written & illustrated by Petr Horacek

The True Story of Zippy Chippy: The Little Horse that Couldn't
written by Artie Bennett
illustrated by Dave Szalay

When I was an Alligator
written by Gayle Webre
illustrated by Drew Beech

The Capybaras
written & illustrated by Alfredo Soderguit

3RD - 5TH GRADE

When Stars are Scattered
written by Victoria Jamieson & Omar Mohamed
illustrated by Victoria Jamieson

Ground Zero
written by Alan Gratz

Raising Lumie
written by Joan Bauer

The One and Only Bob
written by Katherine Applegate
illustrated by Patricia Castelao

Here in the Real World
written by Sara Pennypacker

Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky
written by Kwame Mbalia

The Christmas Pig
written by J.K. Rowling

The Story of Bodri
written by Hédi Fried
illustrated by Stina Wirsén

A Plan for the People: Nelson Mandela's Hope for His Nation
written by Lindsey McDivitt
illustrated by Charly Palmer

Ways to Make Sunshine
written by Renée Watson

6TH - 8TH GRADE

City of Secrets
written & illustrated by Victoria Ying

Flight of the Puffin
written by Ann Braden

Sunny Days Inside: and Other Stories
written by Caroline Adderson

Wonder Women of Science: How 12 Geniuses Are Rocking Science, Technology, and the World
written by Tiera Fletcher & Ginger Rue
illustrated by Sally Wern Comport

I Am Not a Label: 34 disabled artists, thinkers, athletes and activist from past and present
written by Cerie Burnell
illustrated by Lauren Mark Baldo

Of a Feather
written by Dayna Lorentz

Fast Pitch
written by Nic Stone

The Mysterious Disappearance of Aidan S. (as told to his brother)
written by David Levithan

9TH -12TH GRADE

Ace of Spades
written by Faridah Àbíké-Íyímídé

One of the Good Ones
written by Maika Moulite & Maritza Moulite

From a Whisper to a Rallying Cry: The Killing of Vincent Chin and the Trial that Galvanized the Asian American Movement
written by Paula Yoo

Defy the Night
written by Brigid Kemmerer

House of Hollow
written by Krystal Sutherland

You Have a Match
written by Emma Lord