

The Biggest READING Challenge EVER!

Who: 3rd and 4th Graders

When: September through May

- Read books from this list.
- Complete a Reading Challenge in Canvas AFTER you finish reading the book (Jefferson Media Center Canvas page).
- After you read one book and complete a reading challenge by each deadline, you will receive your prize.
- Read all 10 books and complete the challenges by the last deadline and you will be invited to a special field trip.
- Read five books from the list and complete the reading challenge tasks by April 29 to be invited to our “Election Day” party to celebrate the most voted for book of the year.

Reading Dates to Remember

Book 1: September 30

Book 2: October 29

Books 3 & 4: November 30

Books 5 & 6: December 30

Books 7 & 8: January 30

Books 9 & 10: February 28

Books 11 & 12: March 30

Books 13 & 14: April 29

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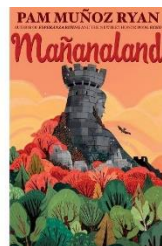
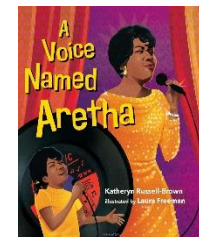


***Ghost in Apartment 2R* by Denis Markell**

What if there was a ghost in your brother's room? It stinks that Danny's older brother moved out and went to college. But you know what's worse? He left behind an angry ghost in his room!

***Voice Named Aretha* by Katheryn Russell-Brown**

Aretha Franklin is the Queen of Soul, a legend. But before she became a star, she was a shy little girl with a voice so powerful it made people jump up, sway, and hum along.



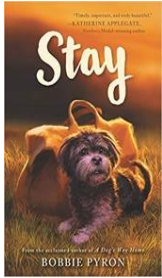
***Mañanaland* by Pam Munoz Ryan**

Maximiliano Córdoba loves stories, especially the legend Buelo tells him about a mythical gatekeeper who can guide brave travelers on a journey into tomorrow. If Max could see tomorrow, he would know if he'd make Santa Maria's celebrated fútbol team and whether he'd ever meet his mother, who disappeared when he was a baby. He longs to know more about her, but Papá won't talk.

***Some Places More Than Others* by Renee Watson**

All Amara wants is to visit her father's family in Harlem. Her wish comes true when her dad decides to bring her along on a business trip. She can't wait to finally meet her extended family and stay in the brownstone where her dad grew up. Plus, she wants to visit every landmark from the Apollo to Langston Hughes's home.



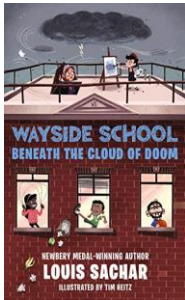
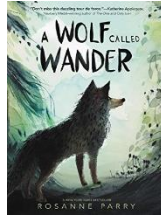


Stay by Bobbie Pyron

Piper’s life is turned upside down when her family moves into a shelter in a whole new city. She misses her house, her friends, and her privacy—and she *hates* being labeled the homeless girl at her new school. Hope House brings new friendships, like the girls in Firefly Girls Troop 423 and a sweet street dog named Baby. So when Baby’s person goes missing, Piper knows she has to help.

A Wolf Called Wander by Roseanne Parry

Swift, a young wolf cub, lives with his pack in the mountains learning to hunt, competing with his brothers and sisters for hierarchy, and watching over a new litter of cubs. Then a rival pack attacks.

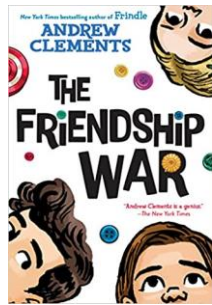


Wayside School: Beneath the Cloud of Doom by Louis Sachar

Wayside School is back in session. Your favorite students and teachers are all here, and the rest of Mrs. Jewls’s class on the thirtieth floor, who are busily collecting toenail clippings. Everyone is scrambling to prepare for the all-important Ultimate Test, but meanwhile, there is a mysterious Cloud of Doom looming above them.

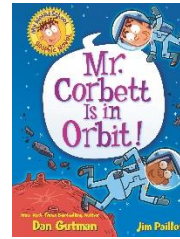
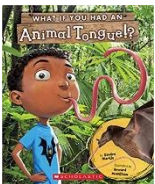
The Friendship War by Andrew Clements

Grace and Ellie have been best friends since second grade. Ellie’s always right in the center of everything--and Grace is usually happy to be Ellie’s sidekick. But what happens when everything changes? This time it’s Grace who suddenly has everyone’s attention when she accidentally starts a new fad at school.



What If You Had an Animal Tongue by Sandra Markle

If you could have any animal’s tongue, whose would you choose? What if you woke up one morning and your tongue wasn’t yours? *What If You Had an Animal Tongue!?*

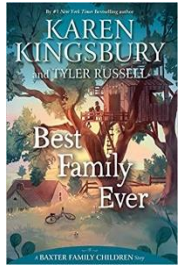


Mr. Corbett is in Orbit by Dan Gutman

A.J. and his friends at Ella Mentry School are headed on a field trip to NASA headquarters. But their tour guide, Mr. Corbett, is a total space cadet! And what happens when A.J. accidentally launches the whole class into outer space?!

Best Family Ever by Karen Kingsbury

Each girl has her own talents. Brooke is an excellent student. Kari is a great soccer player. Ashley, a talented artist. But when the news comes that Dr. Baxter is moving their family to Bloomington, Indiana, and the Baxters need to leave the only home and friends they’ve ever known, no one is happy. Saying goodbye is hard but they still have their faith and their love for each other.

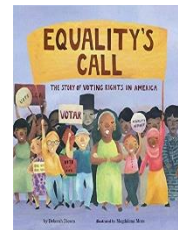
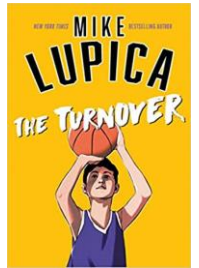


The Bravest Man in the World by Patricia Polacco

From master storyteller Patricia Polacco comes the tragic and beautiful story inspired by Wallace Hartley—the musician who played with his band to calm the passengers of the *Titanic* as the ship sank.

The Turnover by Mike Lupica

Gramps is Lucas’s hero, which is second only to the fact that he is also Lucas’s basketball coach. Gramps coached the team to victory in the championships last year, and when he decides to come out of retirement to coach another season, Lucas is thrilled. This season will absolutely be the greatest yet.



Equality’s Call by Deborah Diesen

Learn all about the history of voting rights in the United States—from our nation’s founding to the present day—in this powerful picture book.