



Battle Of the Books - 2023
Reading List
Grades 6, 7 & 8



*The way this book must be written for "The Battle"

1. *All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook* by Leslie Connor
Pub. 2016 --- 400 pages

*All Rise - Connor

Eleven-year-old Perry was born and raised by his mom in a correctional facility where they have always been able to stay together, until Perry is forced to leave and move into a foster home. Desperate to be reunited with his mom, Perry goes on a quest to learn the whole truth behind their story and to find a way to tell everyone what home means before he loses it forever.

2. *Nine, Ten: A September 11 Story* by Nora Raleigh Baskin
Pub. 2017 --- 208 pages

* Nine, Ten - Baskin

Ask anyone: September 11, 2001, was serene and lovely, a perfect day—until a plane struck the World Trade Center. But right now it is a few days earlier, and four kids in different parts of the country are going about their lives. These four don't know one another, but their lives are about to intersect in ways they never could have imagined.

3. *The Goldfish Boy* by Lisa Thompson
Pub. 2017 --- 320 pages

* The Goldfish Boy - Thompson

Matthew suffers from severe OCD. He hasn't been to school in weeks, his hands are cracked and bleeding from cleaning and he refuses to leave his bedroom. To pass the time, he observes his neighbors from his bedroom window. When a toddler staying next door goes missing, it becomes apparent that Matthew was the last person to see him alive. Matthew is the key to figuring out what happened and potentially saving a child's life... but is he able to do so if it means exposing his own secrets, and stepping out from the safety of his home?

4. *Wingbearer* (Graphic Novel) by Marjorie Liu
Pub. 2022 --- 208 pages

* Wingbearer - Liu

Zuli is extraordinary—she just doesn't realize it yet. Raised by mystical bird spirits in the branches of the Great Tree, she's never ventured beyond this safe haven. She's never had to. Until now.

5. *The Vanquishers* by Kaylynn Bayron
Pub. 2022 --- 288 pages

* The Vanquishers - Bayron

Malika "Boog" Wilson and her best friends have grown up idolizing The Vanquishers, a group of heroic vampire hunters who wiped out the last horde of the undead decades ago. When a friend goes missing, Boog isn't sure what to think. Boog is determined to save her friend, but is she ready to admit vampires might not be vanquished after all?