



# 2018-19 Reading Academy

Dive into reading with our reading academy series at South Central Service Cooperative Conference Center! Select one of the reading lists, enjoy reading through the books and submit an online review for each book you read. Then convene on Dec. 7 (Motivating Readers) and/or April 11, 2019 (Academic Language) for a full day of networking, best practices and literacy resources.

## **Benefits to Participants:**

- Listen to and visit with great speakers
- Read and discuss many new books
- Earn 25 continuing education credits by completing a reading list and attending the workshop
- Network with fellow colleagues – share ideas and book discussions
- Learn about literary and literacy resources
- Enjoy a fun-packed day of activities

To receive appropriate credit hours and certificate of completion, participants are required to fulfill the requirements on their selected reading list and provide their reaction to the book and how it could be used in the library or classroom setting or incorporated into an activity. All reading reviews must be submitted two weeks before the workshop date. To view reading lists and submit your reviews, visit [www.mnscsc.org/reading](http://www.mnscsc.org/reading)

**When:** Dec. 7 and/or April 11, 2019, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

**Where:** South Central Service Cooperative Conference Center, 2075 Lookout Drive, North Mankato, MN 56003

**Cost:** \$150/person

**Registration:** [www.mnscsc.org](http://www.mnscsc.org), click on “Events & Registration.”

**Questions?** Contact Mary Hillmann at [mhillmann@mnscsc.org](mailto:mhillmann@mnscsc.org)

*Reading lists come from the Association for Library Service for Children Notable Book Awards.  
Please see the attached pages for reading list options.*

## Early Readers (Pre-K–2nd Grade) Book List

Read 30 of the following books or Reader's Choice and comment online about each book.

1. ***An Ambush of Tigers: A Wild Gathering of Collective Nouns.*** By Betsy R. Rosenthal. Illus. by Jago. Lerner Millbrook.
2. ***The Book Itch: Freedom, Truth, & Harlem's Greatest Bookstore.*** By Vaunda Micheaux Nelson. Illus. by R. Gregory Christie. Lerner/Carolrhoda.
3. ***Ballet Cat: The Totally Secret Secret.*** By Bob Shea. Illus. by the author. Disney/Hyperion.
4. ***Beep! Beep! Go to Sleep!*** By Todd Tarpley. Illus. by John Rocco. Little, Brown.
5. ***Boats for Papa.*** By Jessixa Bagley. Illus. by the author. Roaring Book/Neal Porter.
6. ***A Chicken Followed Me Home! Questions and Answers about a Familiar Fowl.*** By Robin Page. Illus. by the author. Simon & Schuster/Beach Lane.
7. ***Detective Gordon: The First Case.*** By Ulf Nilsson. Illus. by Gitte Spee. Tr. by Julia Marshall. Gecko.
8. ***Don't Throw It to Mo!*** By David A. Adler. Illus. by Sam Ricks. Penguin.
9. ***Drum Dream Girl: How One Girl's Courage Changed Music.*** By Margarita Engle. Illus. by Rafael López. HMH.
10. ***Emmanuel's Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah.*** By Laurie Ann Thompson. Illus. by Sean Qualls. Random/Schwartz & Wade.
11. ***Finding Winnie: The True Story of the World's Most Famous Bear.*** By Lindsay Mattick. Illus. by Sophie Blackall. Little, Brown.
12. ***Float.*** By Daniel Miyares. Illus. by the author. Simon & Schuster.
13. ***Flop to the Top!*** By Eleanor Davis and Drew Weing. Illus. by the authors. TOON.
14. ***Flutter & Hum / Aleteo y zumbido: Animal Poems / Poemas de animales.*** Ed. by Julie Paschkis. Illus. by the author. Holt.
15. ***Gingerbread for Liberty: How a German Baker Helped Win the American Revolution.*** By Mara Rockliff. Illus. by Vincent X. Kirsch. HMH.
16. ***Grandma Lives in a Perfume Village. By Fang Suzhen. Illus. by Sonja Danowski.*** Tr. by Huang Xiumin. NorthSouth.
17. ***The Grasshopper and the Ants.*** By Jerry Pinkney. Illus. by the author. Little, Brown.
18. ***Growing Up Pedro.*** By Matt Tavares. Illus. by the author. Candlewick.
19. ***Hippos Are Huge!*** By Jonathan London. Illus. by Matthew Trueman. Candlewick.
20. ***I Yam a Donkey!*** By Cece Bell. Illus. by the author. Clarion.
21. ***If You Plant a Seed.*** By Kadir Nelson. Illus. by the author. HarperCollins/Balzer + Bray.
22. ***Last Stop on Market Street.*** By Matt de la Peña. Illus. by Christian Robinson. Putnam.
23. ***Lenny & Lucy.*** By Philip C. Stead. Illus. by Erin E. Stead. Roaring Book/Neal Porter.
24. ***Leo: A Ghost Story.*** By Mac Barnett. Illus. by Christian Robinson. Chronicle.
25. ***Lillian's Right to Vote: A Celebration of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.*** By Jonah Winter. Illus. by Shane W. Evans. Random/Schwartz & Wade.
26. ***Mango, Abuela, and Me.*** By Meg Medina. Illus. by Angela Dominguez. Candlewick.
27. ***The Moon Is Going to Addy's House.*** By Ida Pearle. Illus. by the author. Penguin/Dial.
28. ***The Most Amazing Creature in the Sea.*** By Brenda Z. Guiberson. Illus. by Gennady Spirin. Holt.

## Early Readers Book List (continued)

29. ***Moving Blocks***. By Yusuke Yonezu. Illus. by the author. Michael Neugebauer/Minedition.
30. ***Mr. Squirrel and the Moon***. By Sebastian Meschenmoser. Illus. by the author. Tr. by David Henry Wilson. NorthSouth.
31. ***My Tata's Remedies = Los remedios de mi tata***. By Roni Capin Rivera-Ashford. Illus. by Antonio Castro L. Cinco Puntos.
32. ***A Pig, a Fox, and a Box***. By Jonathan Fenske. Illus. by the author. Penguin.
33. ***Piper Green and the Fairy Tree***. By Ellen Potter. Illus. by Qin Leng. Knopf.
34. ***The Popcorn Astronauts: And Other Biteable Rhymes***. By Deborah Ruddell. Illus. by Joan Rankin. Simon & Schuster/Margaret K. McElderry.
35. ***The Princess and the Pony***. By Kate Beaton. Illus. by the author. Scholastic/Arthur A. Levine.
36. ***Raindrops Roll***. By April Pulley Sayre. Illus. by the author. Simon & Schuster/Beach Lane.
37. ***Red***. By Jan De Kinder. Illus. by the author. Tr. by Laura Watkinson. Eerdmans.
38. ***Roger Is Reading a Book***. By Koen Van Biesen. Illus. by the author. Tr. by Laura Watkinson. Eerdmans.
39. ***Sidewalk Flowers***. By JonArno Lawson. Illus. by Sydney Smith. Groundwood.
40. ***The Skunk***. By Mac Barnett. Illus. by Patrick McDonnell. Roaring Brook.
41. ***Special Delivery***. By Philip C. Stead. Illus. by Matthew Cordell. Roaring Brook/Neal Porter.
42. ***Supertruck***. By Stephen Savage. Illus. by the author. Roaring Brook/Neal Porter.
43. ***Swan: The Life and Dance of Anna Pavlova***. By Laurel Snyder. Illus. by Julie Morstad. Chronicle.
44. ***Tiptoe Tapirs***. By Hanmin Kim. Illus. by the author. Tr. by Sera Lee. Holiday.
45. ***Trombone Shorty***. By Troy Andrews. Illus. by Bryan Collier. Abrams.
46. ***Two Mice***. By Sergio Ruzzier. Illus. by the author. Clarion.
47. ***Wait***. By Antoinette Portis. Illus. by the author. Roaring Brook/Neal Porter.
48. ***Waiting***. By Kevin Henkes. Illus. by the author. HarperCollins/Greenwillow.
49. ***Water Is Water: A Book about the Water Cycle***. By Miranda Paul. Illus. by Jason Chin. Roaring Brook/Neal Porter.
50. ***Who Done It?*** By Olivier Tallec. Illus. by the author. Chronicle.
51. ***Wolfie the Bunny***. By Ame Dyckman. Illus. by Zachariah O'Hara. Little, Brown.
52. ***The Wonderful Fluffy Little Squishy***. By Beatrice Alemagna. Illus. by the author. Tr. by Claudia Zoe Bedrick. Enchanted Lion.
53. ***Woodpecker Wham!*** By April Pulley Sayre. Illus. by Steve Jenkins. Holt.
54. ***Written and Drawn by Henrietta***. By Liniers. Illus. by the author. Tr. by the author. TOON.

### Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to five of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2014.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

## Young Readers (Grades 3-5) Book List

Read 12 of the following books or Reader's Choice and comment online about each book.

1. **28 Days: Moments in Black History That Changed the World.** By Charles R. Smith Jr. Illus. by Shane W. Evans. Roaring Brook/Neal Porter.
2. **Adam and Thomas.** By Aharon Appelfeld. Illus. by Philippe Dumas. Tr. by Jeffrey M. Green. Seven Stories/Triangle Square.
3. **Adventures with Waffles.** By Maria Parr. Illus. by Kate Forrester. Tr. by Guy Puzey. Candlewick.
4. **Blackbird Fly.** By Erin Entrada Kelly. HarperCollins/Greenwillow.
5. **The Blackthorn Key.** By Kevin Sands. Aladdin.
6. **Echo.** By Pam Muñoz Ryan. Scholastic.
7. **Enormous Smallness: A Story of E. E. Cummings.** By Matthew Burgess. Illus. by Kris Di Giacomo. Enchanted Lion.
8. **Fish in a Tree.** By Lynda Mullaly Hunt. Penguin/Nancy Paulsen.
9. **Frederick's Journey: The Life of Frederick Douglass.** By Doreen Rappaport. Illus. by London Ladd. Disney/Jump at the Sun.
10. **Full Cicada Moon.** By Marilyn Hilton. Penguin/Dial.
11. **Funny Bones: Posada and His Day of the Dead Calaveras.** By Duncan Tonatiuh. Illus. by the author. Abrams.
12. **Fuzzy Mud.** By Louis Sachar. Random/Delacorte.
13. **George.** By Alex Gino. Scholastic.
14. **Gone Crazy in Alabama.** By Rita Williams-Garcia. HarperCollins/Amistad.
15. **Hamster Princess: Harriet the Invincible.** By Ursula Vernon. Illus. by the author. Penguin/Dial.
16. **Lailah's Lunchbox: A Ramadan Story.** By Reem Faruqi. Illus. by Lea Lyon. Tilbury.
17. **Lost in the Sun.** By Lisa Graff. Penguin/Philomel.
18. **Mad about Monkeys.** By Owen Davey. Illus. by the author. Flying Eye.
19. **Mars Evacuees.** By Sophia McDougall. HarperCollins.
20. **The Marvels.** By Brian Selznick. Illus. by the author. Scholastic.
21. **Mesmerized: How Ben Franklin Solved a Mystery That Baffled All of France.** By Mara Rockliff. Illus. by Iacopo Bruno. Candlewick.
22. **My Story, My Dance: Robert Battle's Journey to Alvin Ailey.** By Lesa Cline-Ransome. Illus. by James E. Ransome. Simon & Schuster/Paula Wiseman.
23. **My Two Blankets.** By Irena Kobald. Illus. by Freya Blackwood. HMH.
24. **Murder Is Bad Manners.** By Robin Stevens. Simon & Schuster.
25. **The Nest.** By Kenneth Oppel. Illus. by Jon Klassen. Simon & Schuster.
26. **Poet: The Remarkable Story of George Moses Horton.** By Don Tate. Illus. by the author. Peachtree.
27. **Red Butterfly.** By A. L. Sonnichsen. Illus. by Amy June Bates. Simon & Schuster.
28. **Roller Girl.** By Victoria Jamieson. Illus. by the author. Penguin/Dial.
29. **Sex Is a Funny Word: A Book about Bodies, Feelings, and YOU.** By Cory Silverberg. Illus. by Fiona Smyth. Seven Stories/Triangle Square.

## Young Readers Book List (continued)

30. ***Stella by Starlight***. By Sharon M. Draper. Atheneum.
31. ***Terrible Typhoid Mary: A True Story of the Deadliest Cook in America***. By Susan Campbell Bartoletti. illus. HMH.
32. ***Tricky Vic: The Impossibly True Story of the Man Who Sold the Eiffel Tower***. By Greg Pizzoli. Illus. by the author. Penguin/Viking.
33. ***Unusual Chickens for the Exceptional Poultry Farmer***. By Kelly Jones. Illus. by Katie Kath. Knopf.
34. ***The War That Saved My Life***. By Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. Penguin/Dial.

### Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to four of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2014.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

## Middle Readers (Grades 6-8) Book List

Read 8 of the following books or Reader's Choice and write a comment online about each book.

1. ***Baba Yaga's Assistant***. By Marika McCoola. Illus. by Emily Carroll. Candlewick.
2. ***The Boys Who Challenged Hitler: Knud Pedersen and the Churchill Club***. By Phillip Hoose. illus. Farrar.
3. ***Child Soldier: When Boys and Girls Are Used in War***. By Jessica Dee Humphreys and Michel Chikwanine. Illus. by Claudia Dávila. Kids Can.
4. ***Cuckoo Song***. By Frances Hardinge. Abrams/Amulet.
5. ***Drowned City: Hurricane Katrina and New Orleans***. By Don Brown. Illus. by the author. HMH.
6. ***Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings: A Memoir***. By Margarita Engle. Atheneum.
7. ***First Flight around the World: The Adventures of the American Fliers Who Won the Race***. By Tim Grove. illus. Abrams.
8. ***Goodbye Stranger***. By Rebecca Stead. Random/Wendy Lamb.
9. ***The Hired Girl***. By Laura Amy Schlitz. Candlewick.
10. ***The Lightning Queen***. By Laura Resau. Scholastic.
11. ***Listen, Slowly***. By Thanh Hà Lại. HarperCollins.
12. ***Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War***. By Steve Sheinkin. illus. Roaring Brook.
13. ***My Seneca Village***. By Marilyn Nelson. Namelos.
14. ***Orbiting Jupiter***. By Gary D. Schmidt. Clarion.
15. ***Rhythm Ride: A Road Trip through the Motown Sound***. By Andrea Davis Pinkney. illus. Roaring Brook.
16. ***The Seventh Most Important Thing***. By Shelley Pearsall. Knopf.
17. ***The Smoking Mirror***. By David Bowles. IFWG.
18. ***The Thing about Jellyfish***. By Ali Benjamin. Little, Brown.
19. ***Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the 1965 Selma Voting Rights March***. By Lynda Blackmon Lowery, as told to Elspeth Leacock and Susan Buckley. Illus. by P. J. Loughran. Penguin/Dial.

### Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to three of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2014.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

# Young Adult Book List

Read 6 of the following books or Reader's Choice and write a comment online about each book.

1. ***The Carnival at Bray***. By Jessie Ann Foley. Elephant Rock.
2. ***The Crossover***. By Kwame Alexander. Houghton.
3. ***The Gospel of Winter***. By Brendan Kiely. Simon & Schuster/Margaret K. McElderry.
4. ***I'll Give You the Sun***. By Jandy Nelson. Dial.
5. ***Jackaby***. By William Ritter. Algonquin.
6. ***Noggin***. By John Corey Whaley. Atheneum.
7. ***The Story of Owen: Dragon Slayer of Trondheim***. By E. K. Johnston. Carolrhoda/Lab.
8. ***Vango***. By Timothee de Fombelle. Candlewick.
9. ***We Were Liars***. By E. Lockhart. Delacorte.
10. ***The Young Elites***. By Marie Lu. Putnam.

## Reader's Choice:

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- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2014.
- It is usable in the classroom or for free reading in the classroom.

# Non-Fiction Book List

Read 8 of the following books or Reader's Choice and write a comment online about each book.

1. ***Art That Changed the World.*** By Ian Chilvers, Iain Zacek, and others. DK.
2. ***Brilliant Blunders: From Darwin to Einstein—Colossal Mistakes from Great Scientists that Changed Our Understanding of Life and the Universe.*** By Mario Livio. Simon and Schuster.
3. ***Five Days at Memorial: Life and Death at a Storm-Ravaged Hospital.*** By Sheri Fink. Crown Publishers.
4. ***Lawrence in Arabia: War, Deceit, Imperial Folly and the Making of the Modern Middle East.*** By Scott Anderson. Doubleday.
5. ***League of Denial: the NFL, Concussions, and the Battle for the Truth.*** By Mark Fainaru-Wada and Steve Fainaru. Crown Archetype.
6. ***Little Fish: A Memoir from a Different Kind of Year.*** By Ramsey Beyer. Zest.
7. ***March: Book 1.*** By John Lewis, Andrew Aydin and Nate Powell. Top Shelf.
8. ***My Beloved Brontosaurus: On the Road with Old Bones, New Science, and Our Favorite Dinosaurs.*** By Brian Switek. Scientific American/Farrar, Straus and Giroux.
9. ***Rapture Practice.*** By Aaron Hartzler. Little, Brown and Co.
10. ***Ready for a Brand New Beat: How "Dancing in the Street" Became an Anthem for a Changing America.*** By Mark Kurlansky. Riverhead Books.
11. ***Relish: My Life in the Kitchen.*** By Lucy Knisley. First Second.
12. ***Smarter Than You Think: How Technology is Changing Our Minds for the Better.*** By Clive Thompson. Penguin.
13. ***Sticks and Stones: Defeating the Culture of Bullying and Rediscovering the Power of Character and Empathy.*** By Emily Bazelon. Random House.
14. ***The Boys in the Boat: 9 Americans and their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics.*** By Daniel James Brown. Viking.
15. ***The Lucy Variations.*** By Sara Zarr. Little, Brown and Co.
16. ***The Smartest Kids in the World: and How They Got that Way.*** By Amanda Ripley. Simon and Schuster.
17. ***Turn Me Loose: The Unghosting of Medgar Evers.*** By Frank X. Walker. University of Georgia Press.
18. ***War Brothers: The Graphic Novel.*** By Sharon E. McKay and Daniel LaFrance. Annick Press.
19. ***We Are All Completely Beside Ourselves.*** By Karen Joy Fowler. G.P. Putnam's Sons.
20. ***Yoko Ono: Collector of Skies.*** By Nell Beram and Carolyn Boriss-Krimsky. Abrams/Amulet.

## Reader's Choice:

You may substitute up to three of the titles with your choice. The choice or choices must meet the following criteria:

- You have not read it before.
- Original copyright is newer than 2014.
- A non-fiction topic that is of interest to you and/or others.