10. The Walls Around Us by Nova Ren Suma, The movie Black Swan meets Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children in this thriller. Violet is days away from her dream of attending a prestigious dance school when her past comes back to haunt her. Her best friend, Orianna, is in jail for the murders of two fellow dancers, but is she really the one to blame? Orianna and all the other inmates are living their deaths over and over, waiting for the day to make things right.

Voting Machines

To request a voting machine from the Secretary of State's Office, contact Leigh Westmoreland 225.362.5139 Office 225.922.2910 Fax leigh.westmoreland@sos.la.gov

The Secretary of State's Voter Outreach Division provides voting machines upon which students may cast their vote for their favorite book. The Secretary of State believes that this is an excellent civic and educational opportunity.

When requesting the voting machines please include:

- Contact name and phone number
- School's name and address
- Grade level(s) participating
- Approximate number of students participating in each grade level
- Be sure to send in your request
 NO LATER THAN December 8, 2017

Voting Procedures

- Votes must be submitted by February 1, 2018.
- Each student may vote only once and vote for only one book.
- To be qualified to vote, each student
 - Must read or listen to two or more titles on the list.
 - Must live in Louisiana.
 - Must be in grades 9-12 (or equivalent).
- Students who read every title on their nominated list may receive a certificate of achievement from the State Library.
- Submit Your Vote
 - Submit votes directly from the State Library web site at www.state.lib.la.us/ltrc. Fill out the form, then click "submit".
 - The tally form may also be printed and faxed to 225.342.3547.
 - Each student may vote individually from their participating school, public library, home computer, etc.
 - Teachers and librarians may total the votes of their class or group and submit the tally instead of individual votes.
 - The tally form must be filled out completely. Incomplete forms will not be counted.

For Questions Contact:

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Louisiana TEEN

Readers' Choice Award Program 2018





A reading enrichment program of the Louisiana Center for the Book in the State Library of Louisiana.

Grades 9-12

LOUISIANA TEEN READERS' CHOICE AWARD PROGRAM

The Louisiana Teen Readers' Choice Award is a reading enrichment program of the Louisiana Center for the Book in the State Library of Louisiana. The purpose of the program is to foster a love of reading in the youth of Louisiana by motivating them to participate in the recognition of outstanding books.

A committee of Louisiana librarians and educators compile the 9-12th grade list of nominated titles. Suggestions for titles to be considered may be submitted on the website www.state.lib.la.us/ltrc.

The final title list is a well-balanced collection of high quality fiction. High school students may read or listen to the books and vote for their favorite one. The books that receive the most votes from the students are the Award Winners. The books with the second most votes are the Honor Books.

Timeline

Summer 2017: Begin reading books on 2018 lists.

Oct 28, 2017: Louisiana Book Festival in Baton Rouge, www.LouisianaBookFestival.org

Feb 1, 2018: Deadline for submitting votes.

Spring 2018: Announcement of the 2018 award

winners.

Webpage

Details about the program, print materials, study guides, PowerPoint presentations with trailers and booktalks, and other additional resources for the titles are available at www.state.lib.la.us/ltrc.

Promotional materials

Free promotional materials for the 2018 list, including posters, bookmarks and seals for award books, are available from the State Library. Complete the order form on the website, www.state.lib.la.us/ltrc, to request

2018 TEEN Nominated List

- **1.** All American Boys by Jason Reynolds & Brendan Kiely. Sometimes a topic becomes understandable only when it becomes personal. This story is told in tandem perspectives from two teens, Rashad and Quinn, written by two authors. In an instant, a misunderstanding leads to a violent occurrence at the local corner store putting Rashad in the hospital for days. The unfolding repercussions, leading to increased racial tensions, have the teens' school and community divided.
- **2.** All the Bright Places by Jennifer Niven. Bad boys aren't always bad. Happy girls may hide sadness. Sometimes the one you save may not be yourself. This is a love story that develops out of a last minute decision not to jump, that changes the lives of both.
- **3.** The Bunker Diary by Kevin Brooks. There are six rooms, no windows, no doors; an elevator is the only way in or out. What's he going to do to me? How am I going to get out? Wait, is that the elevator? I'm not alone. Linus, is kidnapped by a nameless, faceless, stranger is placed in an underground bunker from which there is no escape. Given a pencil and notebook, Linus records the events of his harrowing ordeal as his kidnapper continues to add hostages and ratchet up the psychological and physical cruelty. This grim, suspenseful book is not for the faint of heart.
- 4. The Dead Girls of Hysteria Hall by Katie Alender. Delia's just inherited a huge house from her recently deceased great aunt Cordelia. But aunt Cordelia didn't live in just some ordinary old house. Delia's new home happens to be the Piven Institute for the Care and Correction of Troubled Females, nicknamed "Hysteria Hall". After arriving at the house, Delia quickly realizes there's something dreadfully wrong. She wants to leave, but "Hysteria Hall" has a way of keeping the girls that walk through its doors. Once you enter, you might never leave.
- **5. Dumplin'** by Julie Murphy. This is a coming of age story about teen Willowdean, nicknamed "Dumplin", by her former beauty queen mom, coordinator of the annual town beauty pageant. When the "hot" new guy at her job pays her a lot of attention, a lifelong best friend starts to hang with a new crowd and she enters her mom's beauty pageant....how will Willowdean's life change?

6. Illuminae by Amie Kauffman and Jay Kristoff. The morning that teens Kady and Ezra break off their year long relationship, their planet's mining facility is attacked. Now they are on separate space craft racing through the galaxy to the nearest space station with their attacker in hot pursuit. The space crafts are not set up for this many civilian refugees. In the midst of their fight for survival and escape, they are faced with the sudden outbreak of a highly contagious, unknown and constantly mutating disease. Just when you think it can't get any worse, the artificial intelligence (AI) running the lead ship, gains an insane self-awareness.

7. The Improbable Theory of Ana

and Zak by Brian Katcher. When constant slacker, Zak, is forced to be on his school's quiz bowl team, Ana, the constant overachiever, is less than thrilled. She goes from annoyed to enraged when Zak accidentally tells Ana's brother, Cameron, that WashingCon would be a great place to run off to. Ana and Zak have to team up to battle aliens, Vikings, and other beasts to get Cameron back before they are all busted.

- **8.** <u>Nimona</u> by Noelle Stevenson. What happens when a snarky, impatient, shape-shifting teenager teams up to help a supervillain struggling with his goals? Nimona started as a web comic which exploded into this, soon to be a classic, book.
- **9.** Red Queen by Victoria Aveyard. In a world where the color of your blood determines your position, Mare Barrow is a Red, struggling to survive and provide for her family. In one blinding moment, in front of everyone, she is discovered to have the superpowers of an elite Silver. Forced by the king to pretend to be what she is not, Mare must decide who she can trust while fighting for what she believes is right, behind enemy lines.