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MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Selections for June 2024

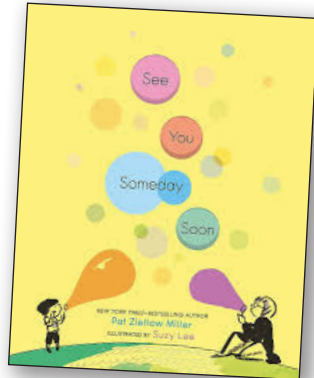
Help children get excited about reading! Each month, a list of featured books will be available to: Assist teachers, librarians, and families in finding quality books to encourage independent reading; offer titles that allow students to see themselves, explore other cultures, and discover more about the world in which they live; and ignite a passion for reading.

PRESCHOOL

See You Someday Soon

by Pat Zietlow Miller

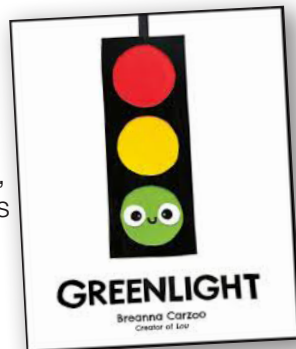
In this heartfelt picture book, a child imagines ways to connect with a grandmother who lives far away. Whether by rocket ship or jet pack, train or in a plane, any journey is worth it to see someone you love.



Greenlight

by Breanna Carzoo

Meet Greenlight! Greenlight has an important job, but every time it's her turn to shine, everyone drives away! The cars stop for Redlight and slow for Yellowlight, so why do they leave Greenlight alone?

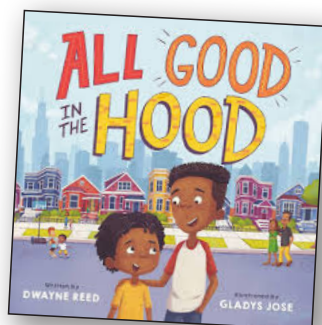


PRIMARY (GRADES KINDERGARTEN – 2)

All Good in the Hood

by Dwayne Reed

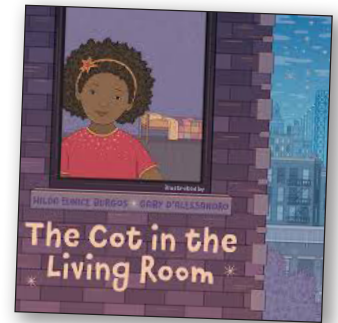
This bounce-to-the-beat picture book by America's favorite rapping teacher from Chicago is a tribute to the sights and sounds of a city neighborhood and the special bond between brothers as they help each other overcome their fears.



The Cot in the Living Room/ La camita de la sala

by Hilda Eunice Burgos

Night after night, a girl watches her mami set up a cot in the living room for guests. She resents that they get the entire living room, while all she gets is a tiny bedroom with her sister. Until one night, it's finally her chance! But sleeping on the cot isn't all she thought it would be.

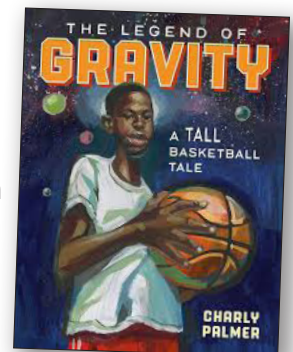


INTERMEDIATE (GRADES 3 – 5)

The Legend of Gravity: A Tall Basketball Tale

by Charly Palmer

Gravity is the new kid on the Eagles. He once jumped so high that his teammates went out for ice cream before he came back down. The Eagles are ready to win Milwaukee's biggest and baddest pick-up basketball tournament. But when they face off in the final round, they realize that it may take a little more than Gravity to win.



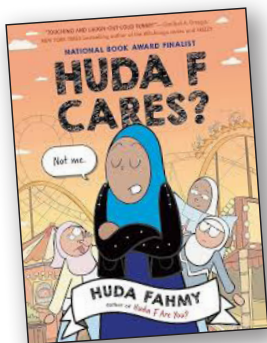
Save Me a Seat

by Sarah Weeks and Gita Varadarajan

Joe and Ravi are both stuck in the same school. Joe's lived in the same town all his life. Ravi just moved to America from India, and he's finding it hard to fit in. Joe and Ravi soon have a common enemy (the biggest bully in their class) and a common mission: to take control of their lives over a single crazy week.



MIDDLE SCHOOL (GRADES 6 – 8)



Huda F Cares?

by Huda Fahmy

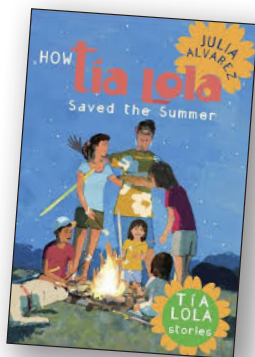
Huda's parents announce that they're going to Disney World! Huda has to survive a 24-hour road trip with her sisters. And she notices people staring at her family when they pray in public. It's a vacation of sisterly bonding and mixed feelings about her family's public prayers. Huda is

proud of her religion, but she wishes she didn't care so much what other people thought.

How Tia Lola Saved the Summer

by Julia Alvarez

Miguel Guzman isn't looking forward to the summer now that his mother has agreed to let the Sword family—a father, his three daughters, and their dog—live with them. But Miguel's aunt has something up her sleeve that may make this the best summer ever!



HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 9 – 12)

White Smoke

by Tiffany D. Jackson

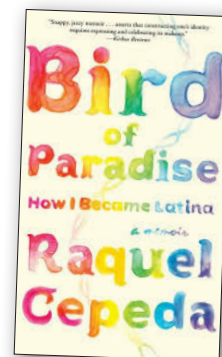
The renovated home on Maple Street, sitting between dilapidated houses, has its secrets. Household items vanish, doors open on their own, lights turn off, and there's a foul smell only Mari seems to notice. Worse: Piper keeps talking about a friend who wants Mari gone. But “running from ghosts” is just a metaphor, right?



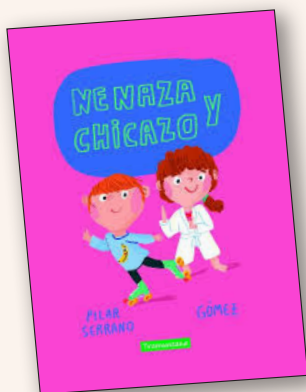
Bird of Paradise: How I Became Latina

by Raquel Cepeda

Raquel Cepeda digs into her family history for a better understanding of who she is as a Latina born in Harlem to Dominican parents. When her parents hit hard times, Cepeda is sent to live with her grandmother in Santo Domingo. She immerses herself in hip hop culture and grows up to become a successful journalist and documentary filmmaker.



JUNE AUTHENTIC SPANISH SUGGESTION



Nenaza y chicozo

de Pilar Serrano Burgos

Por que me gusta hacer cosas de niños me llaman chicozo. Por que me gusta hacer cosas de niñas me llaman nenaza. En casa jugamos a lo que nos apetece. Y hemos aprendido a qué nos da igual lo que digan los demás.

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