THE WYOMING BUCKAROO BOOK AWARD

The BUCKAROO BOOK AWARD is a joint project of the Wyoming State Literacy Association (http://wyomingliteracy.org/) and the Wyoming Library Association (www.wyla.org).

PHILOSOPHY
The Buckaroo Book Award will provide the opportunity for Wyoming children in grade kindergarten through third to select favorite books they have read or have listened to, and to honor the authors of these books.

PURPOSE
● To help children become acquainted with the best contemporary authors.
● To help children become aware of the qualities that make a good book.
● To accustom younger children to concepts of choice, critical reading, and voting procedures that will help them participate in choosing other awards.
● To honor an author whose book has been enjoyed by children in Wyoming.

HOW BOOKS ARE CHOSEN FOR THE LIST
The annually nominated titles will be chosen by Wyoming students in grades K-3 based upon the following nomination guidelines:
● The book may be fiction or non-fiction, including poetry.
● The book must currently be in print & have a copyright date within the last 5 years.
● The book may be a picture book, easy to read book, a high interest-low vocabulary book, or an appropriate grade level chapter book.
● The book must not have appeared first as a movie or TV show.
● Books cannot be on the list for two consecutive years.
● An author may have only one book on the award list.
● Please record the titles suggested by students for consideration as 2023-2024 nominees by entering them into the online survey when you enter your total votes. You will need to include the title, author, and copyright date.
● Deadline for nominations is March 1, 2023

VOTING FOR THE BUCKAROO AWARD BOOK
● Wyoming children from kindergarten through third grade are encouraged to read or listen to as many of the nominated books as possible and to vote for their favorite.
● Each participating child will vote for only one book.
● Participants must have read or listened to at least 3 books to be an eligible voter.
● The Buckaroo Book Award voting will take place online, beginning in January.
● Submit book totals in the survey found on the Wyoming Book Awards website.
● A child may vote only once. Deadline for voting is March 15, 2023.
● If you have any questions, please contact:
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  OR to any one of the other committee members:
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  Lindsay Hineman – lhineman@conversecountylibrary.org
  Ginny Nading - ginny_nading@natronaschools.org
  Liz Palmer – lpalmer@sublettecountylibrary.org
  Kimberly Redmond - kimberly0754@myncsd.org
  (New Member TBD)
2022-2023 BUCKAROO BALLOT
Deadline to enter votes: March 15, 2023

Please tally the votes from your school/institution. Put the total number of votes for each book beside the title. Then enter your total school/library tally for each book into the online survey, available in January (wyla.org/Wyoming-Book-Awards)

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Possible Resources and Other Books to Pair with Nominees:
Visit the Buckaroo Book Awards page on the TeachingBooks database for more information about each of this year’s nominees and their authors and illustrators.

Dear Librarian by Lydia Sigwarth
Still a Family by Brenda Reeves Sturgis
The Library Book by Tom Chapin
Planting stories: the life of librarian and storyteller Pura Belpré by Anika Denise
Activities

Dragonboy by Fabio Napoleoni
Anita and the Dragons by Hannah Carmona
The Wanderer by Peter Van Den Ende
Storytime Kit

Encounter by Brittany Luby
Indigenous Peoples’ Day by Katrina Phillips
Conversation with Brittany Luby

Facts vs. Opinions vs. Robots by Michael Rex
Fact and Fiction of the Wild West by Martha London
The Boy Who Cried Bigfoot! by Scott Magoon
Activities

King of the Birds by Elisa Gravel
As the Crow Flies by Sheila Keenan
Any of Elise Gravel’s Disgusting Critters series
American Crow Overview
Elise Gravel’s Website

A Little Bit Brave by Nicola Kinnear
The Very Last Castle by Travis Jonker
Don’t Worry Little Crab by Chris Haughton
Mel Fell by Corey R. Tabor
Fun Activities

The Sequoia Lives On by Joanna Cooke
Yosemite National Park by Audra Wallace
Green on Green by Diane White
Trees (Nature all Around) by Pamela Hickman
Activity Pages
Snail Crossing by Corey Tabor
   How to Walk an Ant by Cindy Derby
   The Way Home for Wolf by Rachel Bright
   Waiting for Goliath by Antje Damm
   Read Aloud

Sorry (Really Sorry) by Joanna Colter
   Each Kindness by Jacqueline Woodson
   How to apologize by David LaRochelle
   The Power of One: Every act of kindness counts by Trudy Ludwig
   Conversation: Joanna Cotler and Harry Bliss

This Way, Charlie by Caron Lewis
   Tarra & Bella: the elephant and dog who became best friends by Carol Buckley
   Can We Be Friends?: Unexpected animal friendships from around the world Erica Sirotich
   Ida, Always by Caron Lewis
   Activities

Other books that didn’t make Buckaroo Ballot this year, but are highly recommended by our committee!

Almost Time by Gary Schmidt

Epic Adventures of Huggie and Stick by Drew Daywalt

Honeybee by Candace Fleming

If You Take Away the Otter by Susannah Buhrman-Deever

Milo Imagines the World by Matt de La Peña

My Favorite Book in the Whole Wide World by Malcolm Mitchell

Negative Cat by Sophie Blackall

The Sun is Kind of a Big Deal by Nick Seluk

A Walk in the Words by Hudson Talbott
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