

THE WYOMING BUCKAROO BOOK AWARD

The BUCKAROO BOOK AWARD is a joint project of the Wyoming State Literacy Association (www.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 two consecutive years.
- An author may have only one book on the award list.
- Please record the titles suggested by students for consideration as 2020-2021 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, 2022**

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 late February.
- Submit book totals in the survey [here](#).
- A child may vote only once. Deadline for voting is **March 15, 2022**.
- If you have any trouble with this survey or have questions, contact:

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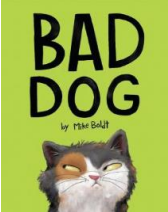
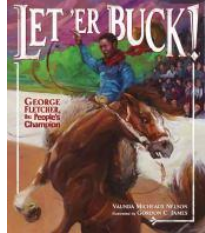
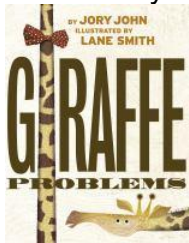
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2020-2021 BUCKAROO BALLOT

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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 mid-February (www.wyla.org). Votes **must** be entered by **March 15, 2022**

Vote	Title & Author	Vote	Title & Author
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Possible Resources and Other Books to Pair with Nominees:

Bad Dog by Mike Boldt

I Don't Want to Be a Frog by Mike Boldt

Alligator Baby by Robert Munsch (another case of animal mistaken identity)

My Wild Cat by Isabelle Simler

Carmela Full of Wishes by Matt de la Peña

Last Stop on Market Street by Matt de la Peña

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n4irkUDbaIA>)

My Papi Has a Motorcycle by Isabel Quintero

Brick by Brick by Heidi Woodward

[Cut Paper banners](#)

A Drop of the Sea by Ingrid Chabbert

The Day I Became a Bird by Ingrid Chabbert

Sing to the moon by Nansubuga Nagadya Isdahl

Quiet by Tomie DePaola

Giraffe Problems by Jory John

The Short Giraffe by Neil Flory

Penguin Problems by Jory John

[Giraffe Problem activity](#)

Just Ask! Be Brave, Be Different by Sonia Sotomayor

I Talk Like a River Jordan Scott

How Do You Dance? by Thyra Heder

We Move Together by Kelly Fritsch

[Author interview](#)

Let'er Buck: George Fletcher, the People's Champion by Vaunda Micheaux Nelson

Bill Pickett, Rodeo-ridin' cowboy by Andrea Davis Pinkney

Yippee-yay!: a Book about Cowboys and Cowgirls by Gail Gibbons

[Rodeo 101](#)

My Rainy Day Rocket Ship by Markette Sheppard

What is Light by Markette Sheppard

What to do with a Box by Jane Yolen

How to Catch a Star by Oliver Jeffers

Pea, Bee and Jay: Stuck Together by Brian Smith

The King Who Rained by Fred Gwynne (book with word play)

Otter Nonsense by Norton Juster (book with animal puns)

Pea, Bee and Jay [Reading Guide](#)

Red Rover: Curiosity by Richard Ho

Welcome to Mars: making a home on the Red Planet by Buzz Aldrin

The Boy Who Went to Mars by Simon James

Life on Mars by Jon Agee

[NASA's Mars exploration](#)

[More About Mars from NASA](#)

The Worrysaurus by Rachel Bright

The Color Monster by Anna Llenas

The Watermelon Seed by Greg Pizzoli

The Way I Feel by Janan Cain

Here are some other books that didn't make Buckaroo Ballot this year but are certainly worth a read!

Butts Are Everywhere by Jonathan Stutzman

Can I Be Your Dog? by Troy Cummings

Fate of Fausto by Oliver Jeffers

Little Bit Brave by Nicola Kinnear

Mega Dogs of New Kanas by Dan Jolley

Ocean! Waves for All by Stacy McAnulty

On Account of the Gum by Adam Rex

Spencer's New Pet by Jessie Sima

This is a Seahorse by Cassandra Federman

Traveler's Gift by Danielle Davison

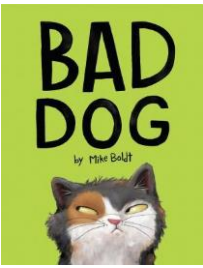
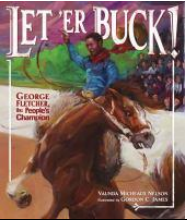
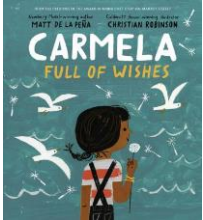
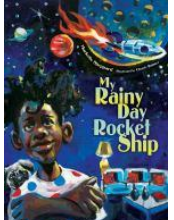
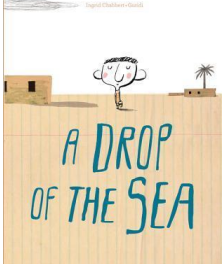
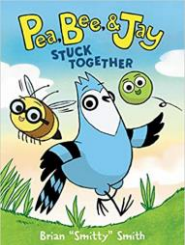
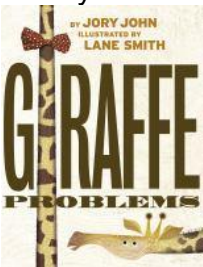
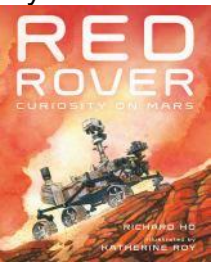

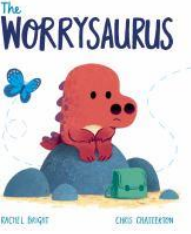
Way Home for Wolf by Rachel Bright

We Don't Eat Our Classmates! by Ryan T. Higgins

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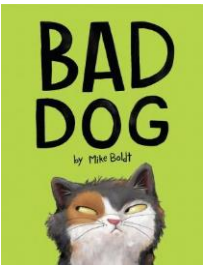
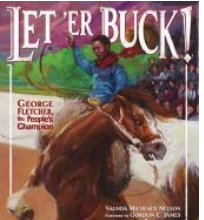

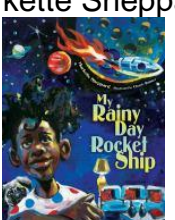
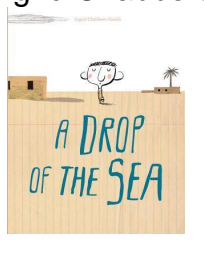
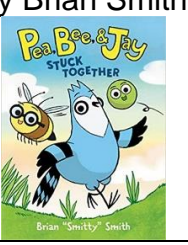
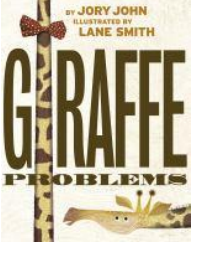
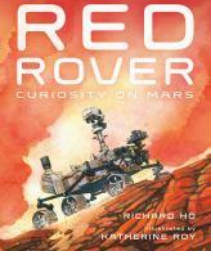
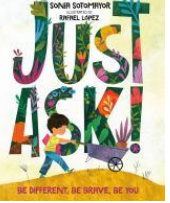
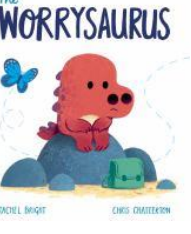
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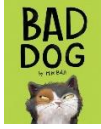
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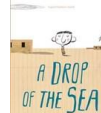
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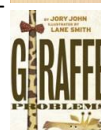
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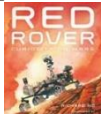
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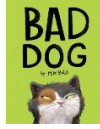


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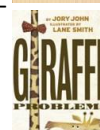
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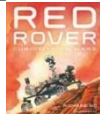
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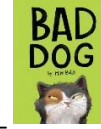


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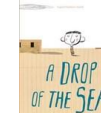
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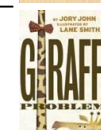
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