

**Springfield Public Schools  
Recommended Reading Literature List  
2022-2023  
Grade 3**



**Thelma L. Sandmeier Elementary School  
James Caldwell Elementary School  
Springfield, New Jersey**

### **Realistic Fiction**

Auch, Mary Jane	<i>I Was a Third Grade Science Project</i>
Barrows, Annie	<i>Ivy and Bean (series)</i>
Brown, Jeff	<i>Flat Stanley (series)</i>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>The Chalk Box Kid</i>
Byars, Betsy	<i>The Seven Treasures Hunt</i>
Cameron, Ann	<i>The Stories Julian Tells</i>
Catling, Patrick Skene	<i>The Chocolate Touch</i>
Christopher, Matt	<i>The Spy on Third Base and others in the Peach Street Mudders (series)</i>
Cleary, Beverly	<i>Ramona Quimby (series)</i>
Clements, Andrew	<i>Frindle</i>
Danzinger, Paula	<i>Amber Brown is Not a Crayon (series)</i>
DeGross, Monalisa	<i>Donovan's Word Jar</i>
Estes, Eleanor	<i>The Hundred Dresses</i>

### **Mystery**

Adler, Davie	<i>Cam Jansen (series)</i>
Avi	<i>Who Stole the Wizard of Oz</i>
Howe, James	<i>Bunnicula (series)</i>
Keene, Carolyn & Pamintuan, Macky	<i>Nancy Drew and the Clue Crew (series)</i>
Levy, Elizabeth	<i>A Mammoth Mix-Up (Brian &amp; Pea Brain Mystery Series)</i>
Maccarone, Grace	<i>The Haunting of Grade Three</i>
Preller, James	<i>Jigsaw Jones (series)</i>
Ron, Roy	<i>A-Z Mysteries (series)</i>
Ron, Roy	<i>Calendar Mysteries (series)</i>
Sobol, Donald	<i>Encyclopedia Brown: Boy Detective</i>

### **Realistic Fiction**

Gutman, Dan	<i>My Weird School (series)</i>
Hesse, Karen	<i>Sable</i>
Jacobson, Jennifer Richard	<i>Winnie Dancing on Her Own</i>
Kline, Suzy	<i>Herbie Jones (series)</i>
Kline, Suzy	<i>Horrible Harry (series)</i>
Lindgren, Astrid Ericsson	<i>Pippi Longstocking (series)</i>
Lowry, Lois	<i>Gooney Bird Greene and the Room</i>
McDonald, Megan	<i>Judy Moddy (series)</i>
McDonald, Megan	<i>Stink (series)</i>
Miles, Ellen	<i>Puppy Place (series)</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Third Grade Angels</i>
Warner, Gertrude	<i>The Boxcar Children (series)</i>

### **Fantasy**

Atwater, Richard	<i>Mr. Popper's Penguins</i>
Cleary, Beverly	<i>Ralph S. Mouse</i>
Dahl, Roald	<i>Fantastic Mr. Fox</i>
DiCamillo, Kate	<i>Mercy Watson (series)</i>
Hurwitz, Johanna	<i>Pee Wee's Tale</i>
Meadows, Daisy	<i>Rainbow Magic (series)</i>
Osborne, Mary Pope	<i>Magic Tree House (series)</i>
Perelman, Helen	<i>Candy Fairies (series)</i>
Scieszka, Jon	<i>The Time Warp Trio: Knights of the Kitchen Table (series)</i>
Shreeve, Elizabeth	<i>Hector Finds a Fortune Mother</i>
Shreve, Susan	<i>The Flunking of Joshua T. Bates</i>

### **Historical Fiction**

Ackerman, Karen	<i>The Night Crossing</i>
Adler, Susan	<i>Meet Samantha (American Girls Series)</i>
Brenner, Barbara	<i>Wagon Wheels</i>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>Pirate's Promise</i>
Coerr, Eleanor	<i>Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes</i>
Hest, Amy	<i>When Jessie Came Across the Sea</i>
Leighton, Maxine Rhea	<i>An Ellis Island Christmas</i>
Mathis, Sharon Bell	<i>The Hundred Penny Box</i>
Sandin, Joan	<i>The Long Way to a New Land</i>
Stevens, Carla	<i>Lily and Miss Liberty</i>
Wilder, Laura Ingalls	<i>Little House in the Big Woods</i>

### **Biography**

Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>Pocahontas and the Strangers</i>
Bulla, Clyde Robert	<i>Squanto: Friend of the Pilgrims</i>
Davidson, Margaret	<i>Helen Keller</i>
Davidson, Margaret	<i>I Have a Dream: The Story of Martin Luther King</i>
Edwards, Robert & Others	<i>Who Was (series)</i>
Moore, Eva	<i>The Story of George Washington Carver</i>

### **Historical Non-Fiction**

Dragonwagon, Crescent	<i>Home Place</i>
Erlich, Amy	<i>The Story of Hannukkah</i>
Fritz, Jean	<i>And Then What Happened, Paul Revere? (and others)</i>
Jakes, John	<i>Susanna of the Alamo</i>
Kunhardt, Edith	<i>Pompeii...Buried Alive!</i>
Levine, Ellen	<i>If You Traveled on the Underground Railroad (and others in this series)</i>
Waters, Kate	<i>Samuel Eaton's Day: The Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Boy</i>
Waters, Kate	<i>Sarah Morton's Day: The Day in the Life of a Pilgrim Girl</i>

### **Biography**

O'Connor, Jim	<i>Jackie Robinson and the Story of All-Black Baseball</i>
Provensen, Alice and Martin	<i>The Glorious Flight: Across the Channel with Louis Bleriot</i>
Rockwell, Anne	<i>Only Passing Through</i>
Sobol, Donald	<i>The Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk</i>
Stanley, Diane	<i>Leonardo da Vinci</i>
Stanley, Diane	<i>Cleopatra</i>

**Non-Fiction**

Calkhoven, Laurie      *I Grew up to Be President*  
Cameron, Eileen      *G is for Garden State: A New Jersey Alphabet*  
Cole, Joanna      *Hungry, Hungry Sharks*  
Cole, Joanna      *The Magic School Bus on the Ocean Floor*  
Gans, Roma      *Let's Go Rock Collecting*  
Gibbons, Gail      *Recycle (and others)*  
Lauber, Patricia      *Who Eats What? Food Chains and Food Webs*  
Lauber, Patricia      *Be a Friend to Trees*  
  
Harvey, Miles      *Look What Came From China (series)*  
Simon, Seymour      *Mountains (and others)*

**Poetry**

Hopkins, Lee Bennett      *My America: A Poetry Atlas of the United States*  
Hudson, Wade      *Pass It On: African American Poetry for Children*  
  
Katz, Bobbi      *Pocket Poems*  
  
Lee, Dennis      *The Ice Cream Store*  
  
Livingston, Myra Cohn      *Celebrations*  
  
McCord, David      *Every Time I Climb a Tree*  
  
Prelutsky, Jack      *A Pizza the Size of the Sun (and others)*  
  
Prelutsky, Jack      *The Random House Book of Poetry for Children*  
  
Silverstein, Shel      *Falling Up (and others)*  
  
Stevenson, James      *Candy Corn (and others)*