

## Call for Submissions Teachers' Choices 2019

### About this list

Teachers' Choices is a national field test conducted annually by a team of teachers, librarians, university faculty, and reading/literacy specialists in five areas of the United States.

We are counting on your participation as we all strive to identify and publicize newly published 2019 books that:

- Showcase a diversity of cultures, races, gender identities, and abilities, reflected through authors and illustrators of **K–8** literature as well as the characters and stories they create, so that all student populations can recognize themselves on book covers and in content, as this fosters engagement and motivation.
- Have potential for enriching the curriculum through current or historical events or figures, or concepts or skills related to curricular content.
- Might not be discovered or fully appreciated by children without introduction by a knowledgeable educator or other adult.
- Reflect the highest quality in style, content, structure, beauty of language, and artistic presentation.

The annual Teachers' Choices reading list will be available online in May and on-site at the International Literacy Association 2020 Conference.

### Submission guidelines

**PLEASE NOTE:** Teachers' Choices books must be for **K–8 grades (readers ages 5–14)**. As distinguished from Children's Choices submissions, these are books that might not be discovered by students without an introduction by a thoughtful educator. Please ensure content is oriented toward middle grades and not YA.

**NEW FOR 2019:** Please submit only 10% (or three) of your newly published books' original titles.

Please use the Publisher's Submission List Template that is available on our website:

<https://literacyworldwide.org/get-resources/reading-lists/teachers-choices-reading-list>.

***Title submissions must be received by July 8, 2019.***

### Eligibility

- Published in 2019
- Books from all imprints associated with your company are eligible
- Paperbacks—submit only original
- Series books—submit only the title published in 2019
- Graphic novel format is eligible

### Shipping your books

We have *five* U.S. areas, so you will be asked to send multiple copies of each of your submitted titles to each of the locations.

- Two or three copies of each book to area Team Leaders/Trainees
- Two copies for each cochair

The list of shipping addresses will be emailed to each publisher; publishers should begin to ship submitted titles as soon as they receive the addresses. The field test begins as soon as school opens and continues through mid-February 2020.

**BOOKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY November 5, 2019.**

Please submit only published versions; **galleys and ARCs will no longer be accepted.**

For additional information, please visit our website at [literacyworldwide.org/choices](http://literacyworldwide.org/choices) or contact Christina Lambert at [clambert@reading.org](mailto:clambert@reading.org).

**We look forward to your submissions and we thank you for your participation in the Teachers' Choices project.**