My second favorite book is:
written by:
I like this book because:
My third favorite book is:
written by:
I like this book because:



Caudill Readers

Information Handout and Instructions

About the award

The Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award is an annual award given to the author of the book voted most outstanding by students in grades four through eight in participating Illinois schools. The award is named in honor of Rebecca Caudill who lived and wrote in Urbana, IL for nearly 50 years. The award is given in recognition for her literary talent and the universal appeal of her books which have touched the hearts of many children and young adults.

The purposes of the Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award are:

To encourage children and young adults to read for personal satisfaction. To develop a statewide awareness of outstanding literature for children and young people and to promote a desire for literacy. To encourage cooperation among Illinois agencies providing educational and library service to young people.

How to participate

Inside you will find the 2023 Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Book Award list. You many read as many of the titles on the list as you like at your own reading pace, but you must read at least 3 books in order to vote. Once you have finished a book, check it off your list. Once you've read as many of the books as you plan on reading, write your top three favorite books on your ballot. Be sure to list them in order. The book you write on the number one line will be the book you are voting for to win the 2023 Rebecca Caudill award. Ballots need to be submitted no later than February 10, 2023. You can return your paper ballot to any Peoria Public Library location. You may also register and vote at www.peoriapubliclibrary.beanstack.com

2023 CAUDILL AWARD LIST

Check the boxes next to the book titles to mark the books that you have read!

Author

Title

Title	Author
Amari and the Night Brothers	B. B. Alston
A High Five for Glenn Burke	Phil Bildner
The Blackbird Girls	Anne Blankman
The Benefits of Being an Octopus	Ann Braden
Fighting Words	Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish	Pablo Cartaya
Efrén Divided	Ernesto Cisneros
The Only Black Girls in Town	Brandy Colbert
The Total Eclipse of Nestor Lopez	Lindsay Currie
A Thousand Questions	Saadia Faruqi
Wink	Rob Harrell
When Stars Are Scattered	Victoria Jamieson & Omar Mohamed
This is Your Brain on Stereotypes	Tanya Lloyd Kyi
Chirp	Kate Messner
The Best At It	Maulik Pancholy
Black Brother, Black Brother	Jewell Parker Rhodes
All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team	Christina Soontornvat
Katie the Catsitter	Colleen A. F. Venable and Stephanie Yue
Before the Ever After	Jacqueline Woodson



By turning in this ballot you agree that you read or listened to at least three of the books on the 2023 Rebecca Caudill Young Readers' Award list. Below, please list, in order, your three favorite books and write a three sentence review of why you enjoyed this book. Once you're finished turn your ballot in to any Peoria Public Library location or e-mail it to programmingdept@ppl. peoria.lib.il.us by February 10, 2023 for your vote to be submitted. The winner of the 2023 Rebecca Caudill award will be announced in March 2023.

	My vote for the 2023 Award is:
	written by:
	I like this book because:
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