

**Springfield Public Schools
Recommended Reading Literature List
2026-2027
Grade 4**



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

Biography

Aliki	<i>William Shakespeare and the Globe</i>
Dahl, Roald	<i>Boy (autobiographical)</i>
Ferris, Jeri	<i>Go Free or Die: The Story of Harriet Tubman</i>
McDonough, Yona	<i>Who Was Lois Armstrong (and others in the Who Was...series)</i>
Old, Wendie	<i>To Fly: The Story of the Wright Brothers</i>
Smith, Kathie Billingslea	<i>Sitting Bull</i>

Fantasy

Banks, Lynn Reid	<i>Indian in the Cupboard (series)</i>
Baum, Frank L.	<i>The Wonderful Wizard of Oz</i>
Brown, Jeff	<i>Flat Stanley (and others in the series)</i>
Catling, Patrick	<i>The Chocolate Touch</i>
Coville, Bruce	<i>Jeremy Thatcher, Dragon Hatcher</i>
Dahl, Roald	<i>The BFG</i>
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DiTerlizzi, Tony	<i>The Spiderwick Chronicles (series)</i>
Eager, Edward	<i>Half Magic</i>
Hesse, Karen	<i>The Music of the Dolphins</i>
Kurzweil, Allen	<i>Leon and the Spitting Image</i>
Rowling, J.K.	<i>Harry Potter (series)</i>

Fiction

Avi	<i>Poppy & Rye (Tales from Dimwood Forest)</i>
Cleary, Beverly	<i>Ramona (and others in this series)</i>
Cleary, Beverly	<i>Henry Huggins</i>
Cottrell Boyce, Frank	<i>Millions</i>
Dahl, Roald	<i>Matilda</i>
Danziger, Paula	<i>Amber Brown (series)</i>
Estes, Eleanor	<i>Ginger Pye</i>
Giff, Patricia Reilly	<i>Fourth Grade Celebrity</i>
Gutman, Dan	<i>Babe and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure</i>
King-Smith, Dick	<i>Babe the Gallant Pig</i>
Lowry, Lois	<i>Anastasia (series)</i>
Martin, Ann	<i>Doll People</i>
McCloskey	<i>Homer Price</i>
Rockwell, Thomas	<i>How to Eat Fried Worms</i>
Sachar, Louis	<i>There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom</i>
Selden, George	<i>The Cricket In Times Square</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Crash</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Fourth Grade Rats</i>
Van Draanen, W.	<i>Shredderman (series)</i>
White, E.B.	<i>Charlotte's Web</i>
White, E.B.	<i>Stuart Little</i>

Folktales and Myths

Ada, Alma Flor	<i>The Gold Coin</i>
Kipling, Rudyard	<i>Just So Stories</i>
Martin, Rafe	<i>The Rough Faced Girl</i>

Historical Fiction

Adler, David	<i>Lou Gehrig: The Luckiest Man</i>
Assorted Authors	<i>American Girls (series)</i>
Assorted Authors	<i>Dear America (series)</i>
Assorted Authors	<i>My Name is America (series)</i>
Avi	<i>The Fighting Ground</i>
Conrad, Pam	<i>Pedro's Journal</i>
Dorris, Michael	<i>Sees Behind Trees</i>
Fritz, Jean	<i>The Cabin Faced West</i>
O'Dell, Scott	<i>Sing Down the Moon</i>
Reiss, Johanna	<i>The Upstairs Room</i>
Woodruff, Elvira	<i>George Washington's Socks</i>
Yolen, Jane	<i>Encounter</i>

Historical Nonfiction

Drucker, Malka	<i>Jacob's Rescue</i>
Freedman, Russell	<i>Buffalo Hunt</i>
O'Connor, Jim	<i>Jackie Robinson and the Story of All-Black Baseball</i>
Ryan, Pam Munoz	<i>Riding Freedom</i>
St. George, Judith	<i>So You Want to be President?</i>
Taylor, Mildred	<i>Mississippi Bridge</i>

Math

Birch, David	<i>The Kings Chessboard</i>
Demi	<i>One Grain of Rice: A Mathematical Folktale</i>
Tang, Greg	<i>The Grapes of Math</i>

Mystery

Avi	<i>Who Stole the Wizard of Oz?</i>
Dixon, Frank	<i>The Hardy Boys</i>
Keene, Carolyn	<i>Nancy Drew (series)</i>

Poetry

Dakos, Kalli	<i>Don't Read This Book, Whatever You Do!</i>
Florian, Doug	<i>Bing Bang Boing</i>
Lewis, Patrick	<i>Doodle Dandies: Poems that Take Shape</i>
Prelutsky, Jack	<i>Something Big Has Been Here (and others)</i>
Scieszka, Jon	<i>Math Course</i>
Schenk de Regniers	<i>Sing a Song of Popcorn</i>
Silverstein, Shel	<i>Where the Sidewalk Ends (and others by this author)</i>

Realistic Fiction

Blume, Judy	<i>Superfudge (and others in this series)</i>
Christopher, Matt	<i>Soccer Halfback (and others by this author)</i>
Cheech, Sharon	<i>Granny Torelli Makes Soup</i>
Dahl, Roald	<i>Danny, Champion of the World</i>
Farley, Walter	<i>The Black Stallion</i>
Gantos, Jack	<i>Joey Pigza (series)</i>
Henry, Maurgerite	<i>Misty of Chinocoteague</i>
Levy, Elizabeth	<i>Keep Ms. Sugarman in The Fourth Grade</i>
Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds	<i>The Boys Star The War (series)</i>
Rockwell, Thomas	<i>How To Eat Fried Worms</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Loser</i>

Science Fiction

Alexander, Lloyd	<i>Time Cat</i>
Applegate, K.A.	<i>Animorphs (series)</i>
Coville, Bruce	<i>My Teacher is an Alien (and others)</i>
Crilley, Mark	<i>Akiko (series)</i>
Scieszka, Jon	<i>Time Warp Trio (series)</i>

Suspense

Bruchac, Joseph	<i>Skeleton Man</i>
Snicket, Lemony	<i>A Series of Unfortunate Events (series)</i>

Tall Tales

Lester, Julius	<i>John Henry</i>
Osborne, Mary Pope	<i>American Tall Tales</i>
San Souci, Robert	<i>Cut From The Same Cloth: American Women of Myth, Legend, and Tall Tale</i>