# 2009-2010 Master List Winchester Reading Rocks!! Open to all 4th and 5th grade students

| Title   | Author                    | Grade<br>Level | Genre              |
|---|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Abby Takes a Stand                              | McKissack, Patricia       | Gr. 3-5        | Historical Fiction |
| Attack of the Turtle                            | Carlson, Drew             | Gr. 4-6        | Historical Fiction |
| Castle Corona                                   | Creech, Sharon            | Gr. 3-6        | Fantasy            |
| Emmy & the Incredible Shrinking Rat             | Jonell, Lynne             | Gr. 4-6        | Fantasy            |
| Evangeline Mudd and the Golden Haired Apes      | Elliott, David,           | Gr. 5-7        | Adventure          |
| Found   | Haddix, Margaret Peterson | Gr. 5-8        | Science Fiction    |
| How to Steal a Dog                              | O'Connor, Barbara         | Gr. 4-7        | Realistic Fiction  |
| Leepike Ridge                                   | Wilson, Nathan            | Gr. 5-7        | Adventure          |
| The Lemonade War                                | Davies, Jacqueline        | Gr. 3-6        | Realistic Fiction  |
| Listen  | Tolan, Stephanie          | Gr. 5-7        | Realistic Fiction  |
| Lowji Discovers<br>America                      | Fleming, Candace          | Gr. 3-5        | Multi/Realistic    |
| The Magic Half                                  | Barrows, Annie            | Gr. 4-7        | Fantasy/Adventure  |
| No Talking                                      | Clements, Andrew          | Gr. 3-5        | Realistic Fiction  |
| Paint the Wind                                  | Ryan, Pam Munoz           | Gr. 5-7        | Realistic Fiction  |
| Pizza, Pigs and Poetry:                         | Prelutsky, Jack           | Gr. 4-7        | NF/Poetry          |
| The Puzzling World of Winston Breen             | Berlin, Eric              | Gr. 4-7        | Mystery            |
| Seven Wonders of<br>Sassafras Springs           | Birney, Betty             | Gr. 5-8        | Realistic Fiction  |
| Shelter Dogs:                                   | Kehret, Peg               | Gr. 5-8        | Non-fiction        |
| Silk Umbrellas                                  | Marsden, Carolyn          | Gr. 4-7        | Multi-cultural     |
| Simon Bloom, the<br>Gravity Keeper              | Reisman, Michael          | Gr. 5-7        | Science Fiction    |
| The Strictest School in the World: Being a Tale | Whitehouse, Howard        | Gr. 5-8        | Adventure          |
| Swindle*  | Korman, Gordon            | Gr. 4-7        | Adventure          |
| Who Were the Beatles                            | Edgers, Geoff             | Gr. 3-5        | Biography          |
| The Winner's Walk                               | Patterson, Nancy Ruth     | Gr. 3-5        | Realistic Fiction  |





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# Abby Takes a Stand by Patricia McKissack (historical fiction)

Gee recalls for her grandchildren what happened in 1960 in Nashville, Tennessee, when she, aged ten, passed out flyers while her cousin and other adults held sit-ins at restaurants and lunch counters to protest segregation.

# **Attack of the Turtle** by Drew Carlson (historical fiction)

During the Revolutionary War, fourteen-year-old Nathan joins forces with his older cousin, the inventor David Bushnell, to secretly build the first submarine used in naval warfare.

#### Castle Corona by Sharon Creech (fantasy)

Two orphaned peasant children discover a mysterious pouch, the contents of which lead them to the majestic Castle Corona, where their lives may be transformed forever.

#### **Emmy and the Incredible Shrinking Rat** by Lynne Jonell (fantasy)

When Emmy discovers that she and her formerly loving parents are being drugged by their evil nanny with rodent potions that can change people in frightening ways, she and some new friends must try everything possible to return things to normal.

## Evangeline Mudd and the Golden-Haired Apes of the Ikkinasti Jungle by David Elliott (adventure)

When Evangeline Mudd's primatologist parents travel without her to the Ikkinasti Jungle to study the golden-haired apes, Evangeline and the world-famous Dr. Aphrodite Pikkaflee are eventually called upon to rescue the Mudds and save the jungle from the evil schemes of Aphrodite's money-mad brother.

#### **Found** by Margaret Peterson Haddix (science fiction)

When thirteen-year-olds Jonah and Chip, who are both adopted, learn they were discovered on a plane that appeared out of nowhere, full of babies with no adults on board, they realize that they have uncovered a mystery involving time travel and two opposing forces, each trying to repair the fabric of time.

# **How to Steal a Dog** by Barbara O'Connor (realistic fiction)

Living in the family car in their small North Carolina town after their father leaves them virtually penniless, Georgina, desperate to improve their situation and unwilling to accept her overworked mother's calls for patience, persuades her younger brother to help her in an elaborate scheme to get money by stealing a dog and then claiming the reward that the owners are bound to offer.

# Leepike Ridge by Nathan Wilson (adventure)

While his widowed mother continues to search for him, eleven-year-old Tom, presumed dead after drifting away down a river, finds himself trapped in a series of underground caves with another survivor and a dog, and pursued by murderous treasure-hunters.

# The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies (realistic fiction)

Evan and his younger sister, Jesse, react very differently to the news that they will be in the same class for fourth grade and as the end of summer approaches, they battle it out through lemonade stands, each trying to be the first to earn 100 dollars.

# **Listen** by Stephanie Tolan (realistic fiction)

During her solitary convalescence from a crippling accident, twelve-year-old Charley finds a wild dog, and the arduous process of training him leads her to explore her feelings about her mother's death two years earlier.

# Lowji discovers America by Candace Fleming (multicultural, realistic fiction)

A nine-year-old East Indian boy tries to adjust to his new life in suburban America.

# **The Magic Half** by Annie Barrows (fantasy, adventure)

Miri is the only single child in the middle of a family with two sets of twins--older brothers and younger sisters. When the family moves to an old farmhouse, Miri accidentally travels back in time to 1935 only to discover Molly, her own lost twin.

# No Talking by Andrew Clements (realistic fiction)

The noisy fifth grade boys of Laketon Elementary School challenge the equally loud fifth grade girls to a "no talking" contest.

# Paint the Wind by Pam Munoz Ryan (realistic fiction)

After her overprotective grandmother has a stroke, Maya, an orphan, leaves her extremely restricted life in California to stay with her mother's family on a remote Wyoming ranch, where she discovers a love of horses and encounters a wild mare that her mother once rode.

# Pizza, Pigs, and Poetry: How to Write a Poem by Jack Prelutsky (non-fiction)

Famous children's poet Jack Prelutsky gives readers a background look at how he creates poetry and offers tips for students to compose their own poems.

#### **The Puzzling World of Winston Breen** by Eric Berlin (mystery)

Winston Breen loves solving puzzles; and when his sister uncovers a twenty-five-year-old scavenger hunt--which leads to a ring worth thousands of dollars. He and his family jump at the opportunity to solve it.

#### Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs by Betty Birney (realistic fiction)

Eben McAllister searches his small town to see if he can find anything comparable to the real Seven Wonders of the World.

#### Shelter Dogs: Amazing Stories of Adopted Strays by Peg Kehret (non-fiction)

Tells the stories of eight stray dogs that were adopted from animal shelters and went on to become service dogs, actors, and heroes.

#### Silk Umbrellas by Carolyn Marsden (multicultural)

Eleven-year-old Noi worries that she will have to stop painting the silk umbrellas her family sells at the market near their Thai village and be forced to join her older sister in difficult work at a local factory instead.

# Simon Bloom, the Gravity Keeper by Michael Reisman (science fiction)

Nerdy sixth-grader Simon Bloom finds a book that enables him to control the laws of physics, but when two thugs come after him, he needs the formulas in the book to save himself.

# The Strictest School in the World: being a Tale of a Clever Girl, Rubber Boy and a Collection of Flying Machines by Howard Whitehouse (adventure)

In the late 1800s, fourteen-year-old tomboy Emmaline Cayley is sent away to the evil St. Grimelda's School for Young Ladies in hopes of ridding her of her unladylike ways. Her new friend Rubber Boy and others help her escape from this prison-like school.

# Swindle by Gordon Korman (adventure)

After unscrupulous collector S. Wendell Palamino cons him out of a valuable baseball card, sixth-grader Griffin Bing puts together a band of misfits to break into Palomino's heavily guarded store and steal the card back, planning to use the money to finance his father's failing invention, the SmartPick fruit picker.

# Who Were the Beatles? by Geoff Edgers (biography)

This book is a biography of the legendary rock band.

# The Winner's Walk by Nancy Ruth Patterson (realistic fiction)

Surrounded by a multi-talented family, nine-year-old Case Callahan feels driven to succeed, but his failed attempts at various competitions discourage him until he finds a stray dog with a surprising past.