

The Battle of the Books is a district-wide competition in Birdville ISD. The primary goal of the program is to promote close reading in a wide variety of genres, diverse literature, and multiple narrative styles that introduce students to numerous authors.

In addition, the program strives to foster academic competition, **e**ncourage students to collaborate as a team, enhance reading comprehension levels and critical thinking, and create a statewide recognized list of an exemplary titles for elementary students.

The program is voluntary. Those students wishing to participate are asked to read the books selected for their respective grade levels and qualify for their individual campus teams. District-wide competition is held every January. Other information on the program can be found here.

The books for the 2020-2021 school year are listed below. You can also <u>Download and Print</u> Current Titles Here

## **Primary Titles (for grades K-3)**

Crayon Man by Natascha Biebow

Donkey Egg by Janet Stevens

Douglas, You're a Genius by Ged Adamson

Hair Love by Matthew A. Cherry

Hello Lighthouse by Sophie Blackall

If You Were the Moon by Laura Purdie Salas

Jack and the Beanstalk and the French Fries by Mark Teague

Little Red Fort by Brenda Maier

New Shoes by Sara Varon

Penny and Her Song by Kevin Henkes

Saxby Smart: The Curse of the Ancient Mask by Simon Cheshire

Yard Sale by Eve Bunting

## **Intermediate Titles (for Grades 4–6)**

Cog by Greg Van Eekhout

Frindle by Andrew Clements

Go for the Moon: A Rocket, A Boy, and the First Moon Landing by Chris Gall

<u>Inkling</u> by Kenneth Oppel

Love Sugar Magic: A Dash of Trouble by Anna Meriano

Superstar by Mandy Davis

The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street by Karina an Glaser

The War that Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradlev