



ADVENTURE / SURVIVAL

Alex Rider series, Anthony Horowitz
Chaos Code, Justin Richards
The Limit, Kristen Landon +
Peak, Roland Smith
The Young Man and the Sea, Rodman Philbrick

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, LIFE EXISTED BEFORE YOU WERE BORN (Historical Fiction)

Al Capone Does My Shirts, Gennifer Choldenko
Black Storm Comin', Diane Lee Wilson
The Book Thief, Markus Zusak +
Elijah of Buxton, Christopher Paul Curtis
Fire from the Rock, Sharon Draper
Thought My Soul Would Rise & Fly, Joyce Hansen
The Shakespeare Stealer, Gary Blackwood +

CALLING ALL ANIMAL LOVERS

Cracker: The Best Dog in Vietnam, Cynthia Kadohata
Gabriel's Horses, Alison Hart
My Life in Dog Years, Gary Paulsen
Shiloh series, Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

FOLKLORE / FAIRYTALES (ONCE UPON A TIME)

Beauty, Robin McKinley
Briar Rose, Jane Yolen
Heir Apparent, Vivian Vande Velde
Just Ella, Margaret P. Haddix
The Magic Circle, Donna Jo Napoli
Sun and Moon, Ice and Snow, Jessica Day George +

FOR DAYDREAMERS (FANTASY / SCIENCE FICTION / MYTHOLOGY)

Cardboard, Doug TenNapel
Double Identity, Margaret Peterson Haddix
Dragon Slippers, Jessica Day George
Dussie, Nancy Springer
Eye of the Storm, Kate Messner ☆
The False Prince, Jennifer A. Nielsen ☆
Found, Margaret Peterson Haddix (*The Missing series*) +
Gathering Blue, Lois Lowry

The Last Dragonslayer, Jasper Fforde
The Lightning Thief, Rick Riordan
Long Shadows, Erin Hunter (*Warriors* series)
The Magic Thief, Sarah Prineas
Michael Vey: the Prisoner of Cell 25, Richard Paul Evans
The Pig Scrolls, by Paul Shipton
Ranger's Apprentice series, John Flanagan
The Redwall series, Brian Jacques
Skellig, David Almond
Small Medium at Large, Joanne Levy ★
Storm Thief, Chris Wooding

FOR JOCKS OR WOULD-BE JOCKS (SPORTS)

Boy Who Saved Baseball, John Ritter
Double Dutch, Sharon Draper
Football Genius, Tim Green
The Stumptown Kid, Carol Gorman

FOR KIDS WHO LOVE MATH, SCIENCE & COMPUTERS

A Black Hole Is NOT a Hole, Carolyn Cinami Decristofano ★
The Gadget, Paul Zindel
The Power of Un, Nancy Etchemendy
Jean Craighead George - any novel

FOR KIDS WHO LIKE READING AS MUCH AS THEY LIKE TAKING TESTS

Bud, Not Buddy, Christopher Paul Curtis
Hatchet, Gary Paulsen
Monster or Scorpions, Walter Dean Myers +
Sixth Grade Gloomers, Norks and Me, Lisa Papademetriou

GET REAL (BIOGRAPHIES / NON-FICTION)

Attila the Hun, Sean Stewart Price (*A Wicked History* series)
Believe: The Victorious Story of Eric LeGrand, Eric LeGrand ★
Escape from Saigon: How a Vietnam War Orphan Became an American Boy, Andrea Warren
Journey to the Bottomless Pit: The Story of Stephen Bishop and Mammoth Cave, Elizabeth Mitchell
One More River to Cross: The Stories of Twelve Black Americans, James Haskins

GRAPHICALLY SPEAKING (GRAPHIC NOVELS)

Bone series, Jeff Smith
The Invention of Hugo Cabret: a novel in words and pictures, Brian Selznick
Polly and the Pirates, Ted Naifeh +
Rapunzel's Revenge, Shannon Hale
Tokyo Mew Mew series, Mia Ikumi
Usagi Yojimbo series, Stan Sakai

HISTORY

Bodies from the Ash, James M. Deem

HEARTS & FLOWERS (ROMANCE)

Angel of Mercy, Lurlene McDaniel
Flipped, Wendelin Van Draanen
Romiette & Julio, Sharon Draper
Stargirl, Jerry Spinelli +

HAIR RAISERS / SPINE TINGLERS

The Boxes, William Sleator
Closed for the Season, Mary Downing Hahn +
Seer of Shadows, Avi
Smile, Raina Telgemeier

HOME IS WHERE THE HEART IS (LOUISIANA / SOUTHERN INTEREST)

The Cottonmouth Club, Lance Marcum
Fiddle Fever, Sharon Arms Doucet
Ruined, Paula Morris
The Secret of Gumbo Grove, Eleanora Tate
When Zachary Beaver Came to Town, Kimberly Willis Holt

INSPIRATIONAL (SOUL FOOD) & HELP BOOKS

Life Strategies for Teens, Jay McGraw +
A Rose for Melinda, Lurlene McDaniel
The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens, Sean Covey

IT'S A MYSTERY TO ME

A Candidate for Murder or Nightmare, Joan L. Nixon
Diamonds in the Shadow, Caroline Cooney
Double, Jenny Valentine ☆
The Ghost in the Tokaido Inn, Dorothy & Thomas Hoobler
Sammy Keyes series, Wendelin Van Draanen

LAGNIAPPE (LOUISIANA TALK FOR A LITTLE SOMETHING EXTRA)

Bloomability or Chasing Redbird, Sharon Creech
Miracle's Boys, Jacqueline Woodson
The Schwa Was Here, Neia Shusterman

LAUGH OUT LOUD

Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading, Tommy Greenwald
Dying to Meet You, Kate Klise
Heads or Tails, Jack Gantos
Never Mind! A Twin Novel, Rachel Vail and Avi
No More Dead Dogs, Gordon Korman
Schooled, Gordon Korman

NOT FOR SISSIES / BRAIN EXERCISE (CHALLENGING GREAT READS)

The Fellowship of the Ring, J. R. R. Tolkien
Inkheart or Inkspell, Cornelia Funke
The Three Musketeers, Alexander Dumas +
The View from Saturday, E. L. Konigsburg

PICTURE BOOKS / NOT JUST FOR LITTLE KIDS

Incredible Cross-Sections, Stephen Biesty and Richard Platt
Leonardo da Vinci, Diane Stanley
So You Want to Be President? Judith St. George
A Voice of Her Own: The Story of Phillis Wheatley, Slave Poet, Kathryn Lasky

POETRY

Carver: A Life in Poems, Marilyn Nelson
Ego-Tripping and Other Poems for Young People, Nikki Giovanni
Poetry for Swimming Upstream, Kristine O'Connell George
Rimshots, Charles R. Smith, Jr.
Technically It's Not My Fault: Concrete Poems, John Grandits

WANDERLUST / DISCOVER WORLDS OUTSIDE LOUISIANA

Baseball in April & Other Stories, Gary Soto
Becoming Naomi Leon, Pam Munoz Ryan
Children of the River, Linda Crew
Chinese Cinderella, Adeline Yen Mah

WHO SAYS FICTION ISN'T REAL? (BOOKS ABOUT REAL LIFE ISSUES)

11 Birthdays, Wendy Mass
*Anyway**: **A Story about Me with 138 footnotes, 27 exaggerations, and 1 Plate of Spaghetti*, Arthur Salm ☆
Bird, Angela Johnson
Boys are Dogs, Leslie Margolis
Buddy, M. H. Herlong ☆
Click Here: to Find out How I Survived the Seventh Grade, Denise Vega
Crash, Jerry Spinelli
Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key, Jack Gantos
Jolted: Newton Starker's Rules for Survival, Slade, Anthony
Kimchi and Calamari, Rose Kent
Liar & Spy, Rebecca Stead ☆
One for the Murphys, Lynda Mullaly Hunt ☆
The Running Dream, Wendelin Van Draanen +
Schooled, Gordon Korman
Sunrise over Fallujah, Walter Dean Myers +
Waiting for Normal, Leslie Connor
What I Saw and How I Lied, Judy Blundell +

+ Selections for 8th Grade

☆ 2015 Louisiana Young Readers' Choice Selections

A Message to Parents and Family Members

Dear Parents and Family Members:

The East Baton Rouge Parish School System encourages all students to read every day during the summer break. We know that reading is fundamental to learning. Children who read more do better in school. Our goal is for every student to become a capable reader and to develop a love of reading.

We invite you to join with us in working to reach that goal by encouraging your children to read at least 30 minutes daily, by reading to and with them, and by involving them in reading activities in the community through the public library Summer Reading Club and other local organizations. Together we can make Baton Rouge "A Community of Readers."

Dr. Bernard Taylor, Jr., Superintendent of Schools

East Baton Rouge Parish Public Libraries

<http://www.ebrpl.com/>

Main Library

7711 Goodwood Boulevard

(225) 231-3740

Baker Branch

3501 Groom Road

(225) 778-5940

Bluebonnet Regional Branch

9200 Bluebonnet Boulevard

(225) 763-2240

Carver Branch

720 Terrace St.

(225) 389-7440

Central Branch

11260 Joor Road

(225) 262-2640

Delmont Gardens Branch

3351 Lorraine St.

(225) 354-7040

Eden Park Branch

5131 Greenwell Springs Road

(225) 231-3260

Fairwood Branch

12910 Old Hammond Highway

(225) 924-9385

Greenwell Springs Road Regional Branch

11300 Greenwell Springs Road

(225) 274-4440

Jones Creek Regional Branch

6222 Jones Creek Road

(225) 756-1140

Pride-Chaneyville Branch

13600 Pride-Port Hudson Road

(225) 658-1540

River Center Branch

120 St. Louis Street

(225) 389-4967

Scotlandville Branch

7373 Scenic Highway

(225) 354-7540

Zachary Branch

1900 Church Street

(225) 658-1840

"Spark a Reaction!"

All EBR Public Library branches offer a Summer Reading Program for ages 12 to 18 with activities and weekly prizes, and a culminating drawing, for reading.

Sign Up: May 22 - July 31

Earn Incentives while Having Fun!