**Bulldogs Read**

**2019-2020**

To enter the monthly Bulldogs Read prize drawing, read a book from this list and then fill out an online form for each book read at [https://tinyurl.com/y6zhxhlq](https://tinyurl.com/y6zhxhlq). Be sure to track the books you’ve read and submitted on the form below. Bulldogs Read winners will be announced monthly and receive prizes. Students who read and submit 30+ Bulldogs Read books will also be invited on an end-of-year field trip. Each Madison student is encouraged to read at least one Bulldogs Read book per year!

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<td>Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls</td>
<td>Twelve-year-old Aru stretches the truth to fit in at her private school, but when she is dared to prove an ancient lamp is cursed, she inadvertently frees an ancient demon.</td>
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<td>Billy has long dreamt of owning not one, but two dogs. When he's finally able to save up enough money for two pups to call his own—Old Dan and Little Ann—he's ecstatic. Soon Billy and his hounds become the finest hunting team in the valley. But tragedy waits for these determined hunters and Billy will learn that hope can grow out of despair and that the seeds of the future can come from the scars of the past.</td>
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<td>In 1687 in Connecticut, Kit Tyler, feeling out of place in the Puritan household of her aunt, befriends an old woman considered a witch by the community and suddenly finds herself standing trial for witchcraft.</td>
<td>When AIDS devastates thirteen-year-old Auma’s village in Kenya during the 1980s, Auma must choose between staying to help her family and working toward a track scholarship that will take her away from home.</td>
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<td>Thirteen-year-old Gus, having been saved from a bully by Rossi Scott who agreed to trade her dirt bike in exchange for Gus being left alone, agrees to go into Dead Frenchman Mine with Rossi and two other kids to find a piece of gold to buy the bike back.</td>
<td>Eighteen-year-old Tyler Jones, top graduate of Aurora Academy, and a group of misfits and troublemakers embark on their first mission with Auri, a stowaway from the distant past.</td>
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<td>A look at the life and legacy of Jackie Robinson, the man who broke the color barrier in major league baseball and became an American hero.</td>
<td>All Vera wants to do is fit in—but that’s not easy for a Russian girl in the suburbs. When her mom sends her to Russian summer camp, Vera is sure she’s found the one place she can fit in, but camp is far from what she imagined.</td>
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<td>Bunny takes a basketball scholarship to an elite private school to help his family, leaving behind Nasir, his best friend, in their tough Philadelphia neighborhood.</td>
<td>Piano-prodigy Isabella, eleven, whose black father and white mother struggle to share custody amidst a bitter divorce, never feels whole, especially as racial tensions affect her school and her parents both become engaged.</td>
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**Catwoman: Soulstealer** by Sarah J. Maas
Selina Kyle is playing a desperate game of cat and mouse, forming unexpected friendships and entangling herself with Batwing by night and her devilishly handsome neighbor Luke Fox by day. But with a dangerous threat from the past on her tail, will she be able to pull off the heist that's closest to her heart? Catwoman's coming-of-age-story!

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**Children of Blood and Bone** by Tomi Adeyemi
Zélie, her older brother Tzain, and rogue princess Amari fight to restore magic to the land and activate a new generation of magi, but they are ruthlessly pursued by the crown prince, who believes the return of magic will mean the end of the monarchy.

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**Cold Day in the Sun** by Sara Biren
Holland Delviss, the only girl on the boys' high school hockey team, is forced to confront gender role expectations and her self-doubts when she is selected to be featured during HockeyFest and finds herself falling for her bossy team co-captain.

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**Crush** by Svetlana Chmakova
Jorge seems to have it all together. He's big enough that nobody really messes with him, but he's also a genuinely sweet guy. The only time he ever really feels off his game is when he crosses paths with a certain girl...

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**Dance of Thieves** by Mary Pearson
When an outlaw leader meets a reformed thief, a cat-and-mouse game of false moves ensues, bringing them intimately together in a battle that may cost them their lives—and their hearts.

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**The Darkdeep** by Ally Condie
Middle-schoolers Nico, Tyler, Ella, and Opal discover a hidden island in a forbidden cove that appears uninhabited, but something ancient has awakened, knowing their wishes, dreams, and darkest secrets.

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**Dry** by Neal Shusterman
A lengthy California drought escalates to catastrophic proportions, turning Alyssa's quiet suburban street into a warzone, and she is forced to make impossible choices if she and her brother are to survive.

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**Echo’s Sister** by Paul Mosier
Eleven-year-old Echo finds the courage to help her younger sister fight cancer, and, in the process, finds the love and support of an entire community.

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**Endling: The Last** by Katherine Applegate
Byx, the last of the dairnes, sets out to find others of her kind and along the way meets new allies. The group soon uncovers a secret that threatens the lives of every creature in their world.

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**The Faithful Spy** by John Hendrix
The story of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German pastor who spoke out against the Nazi regime.

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**Four Dead Queens** by Astrid Scholte
Keralie is the best pickpocket in all of the kingdoms of Quadara, but when she steals a "comm disk" and realizes a royal murder plot is afoot, she must learn who to trust and fast.

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**Front Desk** by Kelly Yang
Recent immigrants from China and desperate for work and money, ten-year-old Mia Tang's parents take a job managing a rundown motel even though the owner, Mr. Yao, exploits them. While her parents do the cleaning, Mia works the front desk and tries to cope with demanding customers and other recent immigrants.

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**Grenade** by Alan Gratz
When the Americans invaded the island of Okinawa, Japan on April 1, 1945, fourteen-year-old native Okinawan Hideki is handed two grenades and told to go kill American soldiers. His struggle across the island will bring him face-to-face with Ray, an American marine in his very first battle, and the choice he makes then will change his life forever.

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**Hey, Kiddo** by Jarrett Krosoczka
Author and illustrator Jarrett J. Krosoczka discusses growing up in a family grappling with addiction.

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**Internment** by Samira Ahmed
A terrifying, futuristic United States where Muslim-Americans are forced into internment camps, and seventeen-year-old Layla Amin must lead a revolution against complicit silence.

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In the Country We Love: My Family Divided by Diane Guerrero (Adult or Young Reader’s Edition)
Television actress Diane Guerrero recalls the day her parents were detained and deported when she was 14, and how she was able to remain in the country, finish her education, and build a successful acting career.

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Ivy Aberdeen’s Letter to the World by Ashley Herring Blake
Twelve-year-old Ivy Aberdeen’s house is destroyed in a tornado and, in the aftermath of the storm, she begins to develop feelings for another girl at school.

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The Last Voyage of Poe Blythe by Ally Condie
Seeking to avenge the murder of her true love while on a dredge ship searching for gold, fifteen-year-old captain Poe Blythe becomes the architect of new defenses designed to destroy her enemies.

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*Let’s Go Swimming on Doomsday by Natalie Anderson
Forced to become a child soldier, sixteen-year-old Somali refugee Abdi must confront his painful past.

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Louisiana’s Way Home by Kate DiCamillo
When Louisiana's granny wakes her up in the middle of the night to tell her that the day of reckoning has arrived and they have to leave home immediately, Louisiana struggles to oppose the winds of fate (and Granny) and find a way home to her best friends, Raymie and Beverly.

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*The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline
The indigenous people of North America are being hunted and harvested for their bone marrow, which carries the key to recovering something the rest of the population has lost: the ability to dream.

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Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy by Rey Terciero
A modern retelling of “Little Women” set in New York City. Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy are having a really tough year: Not only is their father overseas with the military and they're working overtime to make ends meet, but each girl is struggling with her own unique problems. Whether it's school woes, health issues, boy troubles, or simply feeling lost, the March sisters all need the same thing: support from each other.

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The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl by Stacy McAnulty
A lightning strike made Lucy a math genius but, after years of homeschooling, her grandmother enrolls her in middle school and she learns that life is more than numbers.

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No Fixed Address by Susin Nielsen
When Felix’s mom loses her job and they get evicted from their latest shabby apartment, they have to move into a van. Astrid swears him to secrecy; he can’t tell anyone about their living arrangement or he'll be taken away from her and put in foster care. As their circumstances go from bad to worse, Felix gets a chance to audition for a trivia game show and he's determined to earn a spot on the show. Winning the cash prize could make everything okay again. But things don't turn out the way he expects.

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Nyxia by Scott Reintgen
Emmett accepts an interstellar space contract but learns en route that to win the promised fortune he and nine other recruits face a brutal competition, putting their very humanity at risk.

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*On the Come Up by Angie Thomas
Sixteen-year-old Bri hopes to become a great rapper and, after her first song goes viral for all the wrong reasons, must decide whether to sell out or face eviction with her widowed mother.

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Opposite of Always by Justin Reynolds
When Jack and Kate meet at a party, Jack knows he's falling—hard. But then Kate dies. And their story should end there. Yet Kate's death sends Jack back to the beginning, the moment they first meet, and Kate's there again—healthy, happy, and charming as ever. Jack isn't sure if he's losing his mind. Still, if he has a chance to prevent Kate's death, he'll take it. Even if that means believing in time travel.

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Playing Atari with Saddam Hussein by Jennifer Roy
For forty-two days in 1991, eleven-year-old Ali Fadhil and his family struggle to survive as Basra, Iraq, is bombed by the United States and its allies.

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The Prince and the Dressmaker by Jen Wang
Prince Sebastian is looking for a bride—or rather, his parents are looking for one for him. Sebastian is too busy hiding his secret life from everyone. At night he puts on daring dresses and takes Paris by storm as
the fabulous Lady Crystallia. Sebastian's secret weapon is the brilliant dressmaker Frances—one of only two people who know the truth: sometimes this boy wears dresses.

Rebound by Kwame Alexander
In the summer of 1988, after the death of his father, twelve-year-old Chuck Bell is sent to stay with his grandparents, where he discovers jazz and basketball and learns more about his family’s past.

The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise by Dan Gemeinhart
Twelve-year-old Coyote and her father rush to Poplin Springs, Washington, in their old school bus to save a memory box buried in a park that will soon be demolished.

Sky in the Deep by Adrienne Young
Raised to be a warrior, seventeen-year-old Eelyn fights alongside her Askia clansmen in an ancient rivalry against the Riki clan, but when faced with her brother's betrayal, and driven by a growing love for her brother's friend Fiske, she attempts to unite the two clans.

Skyward by Brandon Sanderson
When a long-term attack against her world by the alien Krell escalates, Spensa's dream of becoming a pilot may come true, despite her deceased father being labeled a deserter.

Sweep: the Story of a Girl and Her Monster by Jonathan Auxier
In nineteenth-century England, after her father’s disappearance, Nan Sparrow works as a “climbing boy,” aiding chimney sweeps. But when she gets stuck in a chimney fire, she unwittingly creates a golem.

To Night Owl from Dogfish by Holly Goldberg Sloan
Originally unhappy about being sent to the same summer camp after their fathers start dating, Bett and Avery eventually begin scheming to get the couple back together after a break-up. It’s “Parent Trap” with a twist!

Truly Devious by Maureen Johnson
New at Ellingham Academy, Stevie Bell tries to both solve a murder on campus and the cold case of a double kidnapping.

The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle by Leslie Connor
Mason Buttle is the biggest, sweatiest kid in his grade, and everyone knows he can barely read or write. His learning disabilities are compounded by grief. Fifteen months ago, Mason’s best friend, Benny, turned up dead in the Buttle family’s orchard and Lieutenant Baird won’t believe the story Mason has told about that day. When Mason’s other friend, Calvin, goes missing, Mason is desperate to figure out what happened to Calvin, and eventually, Benny. But will anyone believe him?

The Way You Make Me Feel by Maureen Goo
Clara Shin lives for pranks and disruption. When she takes one joke too far, her dad sentences her to a summer working on his food truck, the KoBra, alongside her enemy Rose Carver. Nightmare! But maybe Rose isn't so bad. Maybe the boy named Hamlet crushing on her is pretty cute. Maybe Clara actually feels invested in her dad's business. What if taking this summer seriously means that Clara has to leave her old self behind?

We are Displaced by Malala Yousafzai
Malala Yousafzai not only explores her own refugee story, but she also shares the personal stories of some of the incredible girls she has met on her various journeys—girls who have lost their community, relatives, and often the only world they've ever known.

* = Contains mature content