

I'm pleased to announce the authors selected for the 2018-2019 Spirit of Texas Reading Program for Middle School. The programming for these authors will be published on the TLA website in April before the 2018 TLA Annual Conference.

Applegate, Katherine. Wishtree. Feiwel and Friends 2017
Hardcover: 9781250043221

Campbell, Isaiah. Abrakapow. Simon & Schuster 2016
Hardcover: 9781481426343

Dairman, Tara. The Great Hibernation. Wendy Lamb 2017
Hardcover: 9781524717858

Holt, Kimberly Willis. Blooming at the Texas Sunrise Motel. Christy Ottaviano Books (Henry Holt) 2017
Hardcover: 9781627793247

Merschel, Michael. Revenge of the Star Survivors. Holiday House 2017
Hardcover: 9780823436675

Noble, Diana J. Evangelina Takes Flight. Arte Publico Press 2017
Paperback: 978-1-55885-848-0

The Spirit of Texas Reading Program- Middle School is a recommended reading list developed by public and school librarians from the Young Adult Round Table (YART). The purpose of the list is to encourage youths in grades 6-8 to explore a variety of current, quality books from Texas authors and illustrators, develop critical reading skills, and to encourage greater interaction between Texas authors and illustrators, Texas librarians, and Texas youth. The Spirit of Texas Reading Program-Middle School is intended for recreational reading, not to support a specific curriculum. Due to the diversity of this age range, Texas librarians should purchase titles on this list according to their individual collection policies. Each author featured on the list has had at least one book favorably reviewed for grades 6-8 in a professional review source. Six authors will be featured bi-monthly with all programming available year round.

See <http://txla.org/groups/SpiritofTXMiddleSchool> for more information and to access the programs.

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