2021-2022 Recommended Books

PreK/TK/K

- The Colors of Us
  Author & Illustrator: Karen Katz

- I Promise
  Author: Lebron James
  Illustrator: Nina Mata

- Amy Wu and the Perfect Bao
  Author: Kai Zhang
  Illustrator: Charlene Chua

Grades 1-2

- Ben and Emma’s Big Hit
  Author: Gavin Newsom
  Illustrator: Alexandra Thompson

- Write to Me: Letters from Japanese American Children to the Librarian They Left Behind
  Author: Cynthia Cusdy
  Illustrator: Amedo Hinzo

- Gratitude is My Superpower: A Children’s Book About Giving Thanks and Practicing Positivity
  Author: Alicia Ortega

Grades 3-5

- Change Sings: A Children’s Anthem
  Author: Amanda Gorman
  Illustrator: Loren Long

- Dolores Huerta: A Hero to Migrant Workers
  Author: Sarah E. Weeks
  Illustrator: Robert Castilla

- We Dream of Space
  Author: Erin Entrada Kelly

Grades 6-8

- Esperanza Rising
  Author: Pam Muñoz Ryan

- The Other Boy
  Author: M. G. Harrissey
  Illustrator: Steve H. Monster

- Pharmacy Girl: The Great War, Spanish Influenza, and the Truth about Billy Detwiler
  Author: Kate Songer

Grades 9-12

- Firekeeper’s Daughter
  Author: Angeline Boulley

- Children of Blood and Bone
  Author: Tomi Adeyemi

- The Hill We Climb: An Inaugural Poem for the Country
  Author: Amanda Gorman