

**Non-Fiction****Colbert, Brandy**

Black Birds in the Sky: the Story and Legacy of the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre

**Cooper, Brittney**

Feminist AF: a Guide to Crushing Girlhood

**G, Mady**

A Quick and Easy Guide to Queer & Trans Identities

**Kamei, Susan**

When Can We Go Back to America?

**Martin, Jetta Grace**

Freedom! The Story of the Black Panther Party

**Sabic-El-Rayess, Amra**

The Cat I Never Named: a True Story of Love, War, and Survival

**Wabstad, Phyllis**

Beyond the Orange Shirt Story

**Wong, Alice**

Disability Visibility: 17 First-Person Stories for Today: Adapted for Young Adults

**Yoo, Paula**

From a Whisper to a Rallying Cry: the Killing of Vincent Chin and the Trial that Galvanized the Asian American Movement

**HOW TO FIND A BOOK:**

- In the Teen/Young Adult section of the library:
  - Fiction is alphabetical by the author's last name.
  - Nonfiction uses Dewey Decimal numbers.
  - Biographies are alphabetical by the subject's last name.
  - Graphic Novels are in alphabetical order by either the main character's name or series title.
  - Manga is alphabetical by the title of the series.
  - Need help? Ask a librarian.

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- Talk to your librarian. They'd love to help!

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 READING LIST FOR  
**9th-10th**  
 GRADE

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## Realistic

**Acevedo, Elizabeth**  
Clap When You Land

**Aceves, Fred**  
The New David Espinoza

**Ahmed, Samira**  
Love, Hate, and Other Filters

**Aleman, Daniel**  
Indivisible

**Buford, Candace**  
Kneel

**Callender, Kacen**  
Felix Ever After

**Dhillon, Navdeep Singh**  
Sunny G's Series of Rash Decisions

**England, Remi K.**  
The One True Me and You

**Fitzsimons, Isaac**  
The Passing Playbook

**Goffney, Joya**  
Excuse Me While I Ugly Cry

**Hitchcock, Bonnie-Sue**  
Everyone Dies Famous in a Small Town

**Jaigirdar, Adiba**  
Hani & Ishu's Guide to Fake Dating

**Johnson, Leah**  
You Should See Me in a Crown

**Kemp, Laekan Zea**  
Somewhere Between Bitter and Sweet

**Kress, Emma**  
Dangerous Play

**La Sala, Ryan**  
Be Dazzled

**Larsen, Jen**  
The Big Reveal

**Lawson, Liz**  
The Lucky Ones

**Le, Loan**  
A Pho Love Story

**Lord, Emma**  
When You Get the Chance

**McSmith, Tobly**  
Act Cool

**Morris, Brittney**  
The Cost of Knowing

Slay

**Oh, Axie**  
XOXO

**Quach, Elizabeth**  
Not Here to be Liked

**Sharma, Nisha**  
Radha & Jai's Recipe for Romance

**Sussman, Elissa**  
Drawn That Way

**Vasquez Gilliland, Raquel**  
How Moon Fuentez Fell in Love with the Universe

**Zentner, Jeff**  
In the Wild Light

**Zoboi, Ibi**  
Punching the Air

## Sci-Fi/Fantasy

**Adeyemi, Tomi**  
Children of Blood and Bone

**Anders, Charlie Jane**  
Victories Greater Than Death

**Bayron, Kalynn**  
This Poison Heart

**Chee, Traci**  
A Thousand Steps Into Night

**Deonn, Tracy**  
Legendborn

**Dow, Alechia**  
The Sound of Stars

**Forna, Namina**  
The Gilded Ones

**He, Joan**  
The Ones We're Meant to Find

**Hollowell, Sarah**  
A Dark and Starless Forest

**Kinew, Wab**  
Walking in Two Worlds

**Lee, C.B.**  
A Clash of Steel

**Little Badger, Darcie**  
A Snake Falls to Earth

**Lucier, Makiia**  
Year of the Reaper

**Lukens, F.T.**  
In Deeper Waters

**Mejia, Tehlor Key**  
We Set the Dark on Fire

**O'Donoghue, Caroline**  
All Our Hidden Gifts

**Oh, Axie**  
The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea

**Pacat, C.S.**  
Dark Rise

**Romero, R.M.**  
The Ghosts of Rose Hill

**Sanderson, Brandon**  
Skyward

**Tan, June CL**  
Jade Fire Gold

**Tang, Andrea**  
Rebelwing

**Teerdhala, Swati**  
The Tiger at Midnight

**Vedder, Leslie**  
The Bone Spindle

## Mystery/Horror

**deVos, Kelly**  
Eat Your Heart Out

**Douglass, Ryan**  
The Taking of Jake Livingston

**Goodman, Jessica**  
The Counselors

**McCauley, Kyrie**  
We Can Be Heroes

**McManus, Karen M.**  
One of Us is Lying

**Thomas, Aiden**  
Cemetery Boys

## Historical Fiction

**Cameron, Sharon**  
The Light in Hidden Places: Based on the True Story of Stefania Podgorska

**Chee, Traci**  
We Are Not Free

**Coles, Michelle**  
Black Was the Ink

**Jackson, Tiffany D.**  
Let Me Hear a Rhyme

**Lainoff, Lillie**  
One for All

**Locke, Katherine**  
This Rebel Heart

**Safi, Aminah Mae**  
Travelers Along the Way

**Shabazz, Ilyasah**  
The Awakening of Malcolm X

**Torres, Vanessa L**  
The Turning Pointe

**Van Draanen, Wendelin**  
The Peach Rebellion

**Williams, Kathryn**  
The Storyteller

## Graphic Novels

**Becker, Harmony**  
Himawari House

**Criswell, Shelby**  
Queer as all Get Out

**Ostertag, Molly**  
The Girl From the Sea

**O'Connor, Tara**  
Fly by Night

**Oseman, Alice**  
Heartstopper

**Panetta, Kevin**  
Bloom

**Pesce, Mariapaola**  
Rosa Parks

**Tokuda-Hall, Maggie**  
Squad

**Williams, Lily**  
Go With the Flow

## Manga

**Endo, Tatsuya**  
SPY X FAMILY

**Hisakawa, Haru**  
Cat Massage Therapy

**Horikoshi, Kohei**  
My Hero Academia

**Ieda, Akiho**  
Penguin & House

**Kishimoto, Masashi**  
Samurai 8: The Tale of Hachimaru

**Kodachi, Ukyo**  
Boruto: Naruto Next Generations

**Morishita, Suu**  
A Sign of Affection

**Oda, Eiichiro**  
One Piece

**Suzuyuki**  
Springtime by the Window