

IMLS Library Newsletter



Trimester 2, volume 7

FEATURED BOOKS

The Davenports by Krystal Marquis

Inspired by the real-life story of the Patterson family, *The Davenports* is a totally escapist, swoon-worthy romance while offering a glimpse into a period of African American history often overlooked. It is a tale of four determined and passionate young Black women discovering the courage to steer their own path in life—and love.



The Jump by Brittney Morris

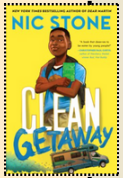
An action-driven, high-octane "thrill ride" (Kirkus Reviews) about a group of working-class teens in Seattle who join a dangerous scavenger hunt with a prize that can save their families and community.



Influence is power. Power creates change. And change is exactly what Team Jericho needs.

Clean Getaway by Nic Stone

Part history lesson, part road trip, this heartwarming, family-centered and humorous adventure will keep readers guessing until the end.



A Song Below Water by Bethany C. Morrow

Tavia is already at odds with the world, forced to keep her siren identity under wraps in a society that wants to keep her kind under lock and key. Never mind she's also stuck in Portland, Oregon, a city with only a handful of black folk and even fewer of those with magical powers. At least she has her bestie Effie by her side as they tackle high school drama, family secrets, and unrequited crushes.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

During February we celebrate Black History Month. This year we are dedicated to acknowledging the significant impact that Black individuals and communities have had on the nation's history, culture, and progress through their art.

[Click here](#) to browse a list of novels and poetry written by African American Authors.



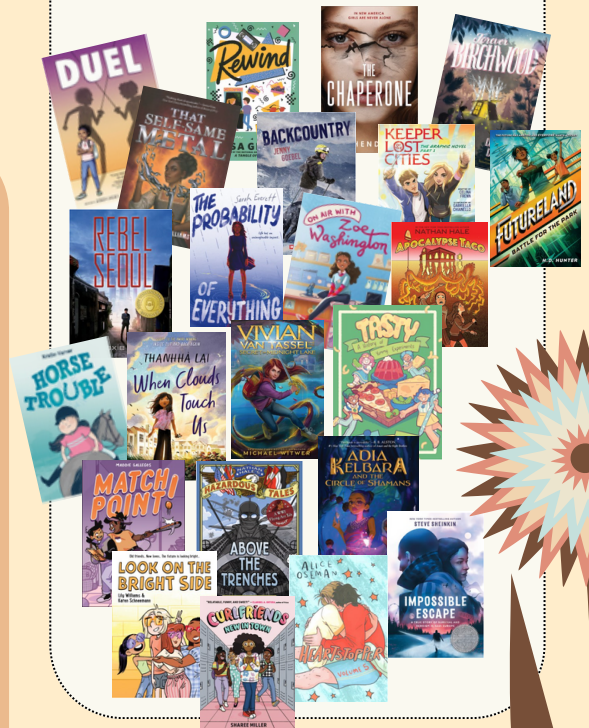
NEW BOOKS!

Fresh out of the box this week, check out these amazing new additions to our library!

[Click here](#) to explore the whole list.



New Books List QR



World Read Aloud List QR



FEBRUARY 7TH: WORLD READ ALOUD DAY

- ✓ Reading aloud has been proven to benefit children as listeners hear the proper enunciation of words. The regular practice of active listening requires patience and attention, two skills that are necessary for becoming strong independent readers. Listening to a text will also give students a chance to develop sustained concentration, which may lead to deeper thinking and reflection.
- ✓ Reading aloud provides students with a shared context from which lively classroom discussions can develop. Encouraging conversations about the reading will enhance inclusivity and give students a chance to build communication skills. It also increases social bonding and empathy where listeners relate to the characters in the stories.
- ✓ [Click here](#) for a list of some of my most favorite audiobooks available from KCLS for your listening pleasure!

