



**North Carolina School Library Media Association
Middle School Battle of the Books
2024-2025 *UPDATED***

Title	Author
Ashlords*	Scott Reintgen
The Best at It	Maulik Pancholy
Beyond the Bright Sea	Lauren Wolk
Bloom	Kenneth Oppel
The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind**	William Kamkwamba & Bryan Mealer
The Bridge Home	Padma Venkatraman
Freewater	Amina Luqman-Dawson
Ghost	Jason Reynolds
A Good Kind of Trouble	Lisa Moore Ramée
I Must Betray You	Ruta Sepetys
I Will Always Write Back	Caitlin Alifirenka & Martin Ganda
The Lost Year	Katherine Marsh
Maybe He Just Likes You	Barbara Dee
Mexikid***	Pedro Martín
Paper Things	Jennifer Richard Jacobson
Roller Girl	Victoria Jamieson
The Screaming Staircase	Jonathan Stroud
Simon Sort of Says	Erin Bow
Song for a Whale	Lynne Kelly
A Wish in the Dark	Christina Soontornvat

*Student choice selection

**Young Readers Edition

****Mexikid* has replaced *The Fort* by Gordon Korman. *The Fort* will appear on the 2025-26 MBOB list.

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