

# Commissioner Corcoran's BACK TO SCHOOL Reading List

Including Suggestions from 2020 Florida Teacher of the Year Dr. Dakeyan Graham

# K-2

## Kindergarten - Second Grade

*A Child's Garden of Verses* ..... Robert Louis Stevenson  
*A First Book of the Sea* ..... Nicola Davies  
*Little House in the Big Woods* ..... Laura Ingalls Wilder  
*The Lion and the Mouse* ..... Aesop  
*The Emperor's New Clothes* ..... Hans Christian Andersen  
*The Very Hungry Caterpillar* ..... Eric Carle  
*Love You Forever* ..... Robert Munsch  
*The Tale of Peter Rabbit* ..... Beatrix Potter  
*Stellaluna* ..... Janell Cannon  
*The Ugly Duckling* ..... Hans Christian Andersen  
*Goodnight Moon* ..... Margaret Wise Brown  
*The Kissing Hand* ..... Audrey Penn  
*Llama Llama Red Pajama* ..... Anna Dewdney  
*If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* ..... Laura Numeroff  
*Where the Wild Things Are* ..... Maurice Sendak  
*Curious George* ..... H.A. Rey  
*Jack and the Beanstalk* ..... Steven Kellogg  
*The Giving Tree* ..... Shel Silverstein  
*The Story of Babar*..... Jean De Brunhoff  
*Green Eggs and Ham* ..... Dr. Seuss  
*Hop on Pop* ..... Dr. Seuss  
*Don't Touch My Hair!* ..... Sharee Miller  
*We the Kids: The Preamble to the Constitution of the United States* ..... David Catrow

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## Third Grade - Fifth Grade

*Black Beauty* ..... Anna Sewell  
*Heidi* ..... Johanna Spyri  
*The Secret Garden* ..... Frances Hodgson Burnett  
*The Velveteen Rabbit* ..... Margery Williams Bianco  
*The Black Stallion* ..... Walter Farley  
*The Wind in the Willows* ..... Kenneth Grahame  
*The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* ..... Washington Irving  
*Anne of Green Gables* ..... Lucy Maud Montgomery  
*Treasure Island* ..... Robert Louis Stevenson  
*Pippi Longstocking* ..... Astrid Lindgren  
*Ralph S. Mouse* ..... Beverly Cleary  
*Mary Poppins* ..... P.L. Travers  
*The Little Prince* ..... Antoine de Saint-Exupery  
*Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* ..... Roald Dahl  
*The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* ..... L. Frank Baum  
*Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* ..... Lewis Carroll  
*The Phantom Tollbooth* ..... Norton Juster  
*The Hobbit* ..... J.R.R. Tolkien  
*The Yearling* ..... Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings  
*The High King* ..... Lloyd Alexander  
*Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH* ..... Robert C. O'Brien  
*Winnie-the-Pooh* ..... A. A. Milne  
*Shh! We're Writing the Constitution* ..... Jean Fritz  
*The Last Egret* ..... Harvey E. Oyer III  
*The Haunted Mask* ..... R.L. Stine



# 6-8

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### Sixth Grade - Eighth Grade

<i>Little Women</i> .....	Louisa May Alcott
<i>The Story of Doctor Dolittle</i> .....	Hugh Lofting
<i>The Neverending Story</i> .....	Michael Ende
<i>The Hound of the Baskervilles</i> .....	Arthur Conan Doyle
<i>The Call of the Wild</i> .....	Jack London
<i>A Wrinkle in Time</i> .....	Madeleine L'Engle
<i>I Am Malala</i> .....	Malala Yousafzai
<i>Matilda</i> .....	Roald Dahl
<i>The Age of Fable</i> .....	Thomas Bulfinch
<i>The Hiding Place</i> .....	Corrie ten Boom
<i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i> .....	Scott O'Dell
<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i> .....	Wilson Rawls
<i>The Count of Monte Cristo</i> .....	Alexandre Dumas
<i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe</i> ....	C.S. Lewis
<i>Through the Looking-Glass</i> .....	Lewis Carroll
<i>Sounder</i> .....	William H. Armstrong
<i>Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer</i> .....	John Grisham
<i>Hoot</i> .....	Carl Hiaasen
<i>Julius Caesar</i> .....	William Shakespeare
<i>The Constitution of the United States</i> .....	Karen Judson
<i>The Diary of Anne Frank</i> .....	Anne Frank
<i>Leaves of Grass</i> .....	Walt Whitman
<i>Poems</i> .....	William Blake
<i>The Complete Poetry of Edgar Allan Poe</i> ...	Edgar Allan Poe
<i>The Murders in the Rue Morgue</i> .....	Edgar Allan Poe
<i>Finding Langston</i> .....	Lesa Cline-Ransome

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### Ninth Grade - Twelfth Grade

<i>Jane Eyre</i> .....	Charlotte Bronte
<i>The War of the Worlds</i> .....	H.G. Wells
<i>Watership Down</i> .....	Richard Adams
<i>Frankenstein</i> .....	Mary Shelley
<i>The Vicar of Wakefield</i> .....	Oliver Goldsmith
<i>Howard's End</i> .....	E. M. Forster
<i>The Last of the Mohicans</i> .....	James Fenimore Cooper
<i>Pride and Prejudice</i> .....	Jane Austen
<i>Much Ado About Nothing</i> .....	William Shakespeare
<i>The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin</i> ..	Benjamin Franklin
<i>Lord of the Flies</i> .....	William Golding
<i>Animal Farm</i> .....	George Orwell
<i>A Land Remembered</i> .....	Patrick D. Smith
<i>Murder on the Orient Express</i> .....	Agatha Christie
<i>The Old Man and the Sea</i> .....	Ernest Hemingway
<i>Finding Mañana</i> .....	Mirta Ojito
<i>Up From Slavery</i> .....	Booker T. Washington
<i>Founding Brothers:</i>	
<i>The Revolutionary Generation</i> .....	Joseph J. Ellis
<i>The Crucible</i> .....	Arthur Miller
<i>A Tale of Two Cities</i> .....	Charles Dickens
<i>A Raisin in the Sun</i> .....	Lorraine Hansberry
<i>The Road Not Taken and Other Poems</i> .....	Robert Frost
<i>Hope is the Thing with Feathers</i> .....	Emily Dickinson
<i>The Nickel Boys</i> .....	Colson Whitehead
<i>Into the Wild</i> .....	Jon Krakauer
<i>Manchild in the Promised Land</i> .....	Claude Brown
<i>Devil in the Grove</i> .....	Gilbert King
<i>The Weary Blues</i> .....	Langston Hughes
<i>Woodlawn: One Hope. One Dream.</i>	
<i>One Way</i> .....	Todd Gerelds
<i>Florida Made: The 25 Most Important</i>	
<i>Figures Who Shaped the State</i> .....	Senator George LeMieux and Laura Mize

*\*These books are intended for rising seniors. The books deal with weighty and adult subject matters and, if movies, would be considered "R" rated. They have been added to the list because of their profound impact on society and/or for the excellent way they teach students about human nature and the importance of seeking liberty and justice for all.*

