

St. James School Library
Battle of the Books
5th-6th Grade Book List
2022-2023



The Amelia Six: An Amelia Earhart Mystery, Kristin L. Gray (2023 Bluestem)

The Doughnut Fix, Jessie Janowitz

Hello, Universe, Erin Entrada Kelly

In Darkling Wood, Emma Carroll

Miscalculations of Lightning Girl, Stacy McAnulty

Out of My Heart, Sharon Draper

The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy, Jeanne Birdsall

The Rhino in Right Field, Stacy DeKeyser

Small Spaces, Katherine Arden

Song for a Whale, Lynne Kelly (2023 Bluestem)

The War That Saved My Life, Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

Wonder, R.J. Palacio



What is the Bulldog Book Award/Battle of the Books?

A program sponsored by the St. James School Library that encourages students to read great books from a list of 12 nominated titles. As an incentive, after a student has read a certain number of books on the list, prizes will be awarded. Books are available for check-out from our school library as well as from the Arlington Heights Memorial Library.

Bulldog Book Award

At the end of the school year, students will vote for their favorite book on the list, which will receive the 2023 Bulldog Book Award!

Battle of the Books

In the Spring, students will compete within a team of classmates in the Battle of the Books competitions answering questions about the nominated books.