Archive of Winners
1980 – present

Eric G. Mackey
State Superintendent of Education
1980-81
Katy No Pocket by Emmy Payne (K-1)
Charlotte’s Web by E.B. White (2-3)
The Best Christmas Pageant Ever by Barbara Robinson (4-5)
The Hobbit by J.R. Tolkein (6-8)
Acorn People by Ron Jones (9-12)

1981-82
The Runaway Bunny by Margaret Wise Brown (K-1)
Granny and the Indians by Peggy Parish (2-3)
Bunnicula by Deborah Howe (4-6)
Mayday! Mayday! by Hilary Milton (7-9)
Christy by Catherine Marshall (10-12)

1982-83
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Stein (K-1)
Chocolate Chip Mystery by John Mclnnes (2-3)
Stuart Little by E. B. White (4-6)
Killing Mr. Griffin by Lois Duncan (7-9)
Sunshine by Norma Klein (10-12)

1983-84
Arthur's Nose by Marc Brown (K-1)
Ralph S. Mouse by Beverly Cleary (2-3)
Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade by Barthe DeClements (4-6)
Unicorns in the Rain by B. Cohen (7-9)
Cages of Glass, Flowers of Time by Charlotte Culin (10-12)

1984-85
A Pocket for Corduroy by Don Freeman (K-1)
Great Green Turkey Creek Monster by James Flora (2-3)
The Boxcar Children by G. Warner (4-6)
A Tangle of Roots by Barbara Girion (7-9)
Grendel by John Gardner (10-12)

1985-86
The Pain and the Great One by Judy Blume (K-1) The Adventures of Albert by Barbara Isenbery (2-3)
Superfudge by Judy Blume (4-6)
Divorce Express by Paula Danziger (7-9)
Him She Loves? by M. E. Kerr (10-12)

1986-87
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie by L. J. Numeroff (K-1)
The New Kid on the Block by Jack Prelutsky (2-3)
Stone Fox by J. R. Gardiner (4-6)
You Never Can Tell by E. Conford (7-9)
Yeager, An Autobiography by Chuck Yeager & Leo Janos (10-12)

1987-88
My Teacher Sleeps in School by L. Weiss (K-1)
My Mother Never Listens to Me by Marjorie Sharmat (2-3)
The Dollhouse Murders by Betty Wright (4-6) Revenge of the Nerd by John McNamara (7-9)
Wart, Son of Toad by A. Carter (10-12)

1988-89
No Jumping on the Bed! by Tedd Arnold (K-2)
The War with Grandpa by R.K. Smith (3-5)
No Swimming in Dark Pond & Other Chilling Tales by J. Gorog (6-8)
The Princess Bride by W. Goldman (9-12)

1989-1990
The Little Old Man Who Could Not Read by I. Black (K-2)
In Trouble Again, Zelda Hammersmith? by Lynn Hall (3-5)
Mad, Mad, Monday by H. Silverstein (6-8)

1990-91
Sock Snatchers by Lorna Balian (K-2)
More Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark by A. Schwartz (3-5)
The Glory Girl by Betsy Byars (6-8)
Walking Across Egypt by Clyde Edgerton (9-12)

1991-92
Julius, the Baby of the World by Kevin Henkes (K-2)
Tales from Gold Mountain by Paul Yee (3-5)
Cousins by Virginia Hamilton (6-8)

1992-93
Mucky Moose by Jonathan Allen (K-2)
Rats on the Roof & Other Stories by James Marshall (3-5)
The Day that Elvis Came to Town by Jan Marion (6-8)
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Mad Dog McGraw by Myron Uhlberg (K-2)
Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo (3-4)
Wish You Were Here (And I Wasn’t)—A Book of Poems and Pictures for Globe Trotters, by Colin McNaughton (5-6)

2002-03
Widget, by Lyn Rossiter McFarland (K-1)
Humpty Dumpty Egg-splodes, written by Kevin O'Malley (2-3) A Boy At War—A Novel of Pearl Harbor, by Harry Mazer (4-6)

2003-04
Epossumondas, by Coleen Salley (K-1)
Giant Children, by Brod Bagert (2-3)
A Week in the Woods, by Andrew Clements (4-6)

2004-05
Bubble Gum, Bubble Gum, by Lisa Wheeler (K-1)
Thunder Rose, by Jerdine Nolen (2-3)
Escaping the Giant Wave, by Peg Kehret (4-6)

2005-06
Precious and the Boo Hag, by Patricia McKissack / Onawumi Jean Moss (K-1)
Hachiko Waits, by Lesléa Newman (2-3)
The Top Ten Ways to Ruin the First Day of 5th Grade, by Ken Derby (4-6)

2006-07
I Ain't Gonna Paint No More!, by Karen Beaumont (K-1)
Once Upon a Cool Motorcycle Dude, by Kevin O'Malley (2-3)
A Dog's Life—The Autobiography of a Stray, by Ann M. Martin (4-6)

2007-08
One Potato, Two Potato, by Cynthia DeFelice (K-1)
Steal Back the Mona Lisa!, by Meghan McCarthy (2-3)
Castles—Old Stone Poems, by J. Patrick Lewis and Rebecca Kai Dotlich (4-6)
The Book of Story Beginnings, by Kristen Kladstrup (7-8)
2008-09
Llama, Llama Mad at Mama, by Anna Dewdney (K-1)
Pssst!, by Adam Rex (2-3)
Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam, by Cynthia Kadohata (4-6)

2009-10
Two Bobbies, by Kaby Larson and Mary Nethery (K-1)
For the Love of Autumn, by Patricia Polacco (2-3)
42 Miles, by Tracie Vaughn Zimmer (4-6)

2010-11
I Need My Monster, by Amanda Noll (K-1)
When the Wolves Returned by Dorothy Ninshaw Patent (2-3)
Million-Dollar Throw by Mike Lupica (4-6)

2011-12
Even Monsters Need Haircuts by Matthew McElligott (K-1)
First Dogs Whitehouse Christmas by Patrick Lewis and Beth Zappitello (2-3)
11 Birthdays by Wendy Mass (4-5)

2012-2013
Big Bouffant by Kate Hosford (K-1)
Spunky Tells All by Ann Cameron (2-3)
My Life as a Stuntboy by Janet Tashjian (4-5)

2013-14
Who has this tail? By Lauren Hulbert
How to Babysit a Grandpa by Jean Reagan
Chained by Lynne Kelly

2014-15
Are the Dinosaurs Dead, Dad by Julie Middleton, (K-1)
Memoirs of a Hamster by Devin Scillian, (2-3)
Duke by Kirby Larson, (4-5)
After Eli by Rebecca Rupp, (6-8 Fiction)
“The President Has Been Shot” by James L. Swanson (6-8 Nonfiction)

2015-16
The Book with No Pictures by B.J. Novak (K-1)
President Taft is Stuck in the Tub by Mac Barnett (2-3)

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He Has Shot the President by Don Brown (4-5 Nonfiction)
A Yellow Watermelon by Ted Dunagan (4-5 Fiction)
Fighting Fire by Michael Cooper (6-8 Nonfiction)
My Brother’s Keeper by Allen Johnson, Jr. (6-8 Co-Winner Fiction)
The Walk-On by John Feinstein (6-8 Co-Winner Fiction)

2016-2017
Are we there yet? by Nina Laden and Adam McCauley (K-1)
The Day the Crayons Came Home by Drew Daywalt (2-3)
USS Alabama: Hooray for the Mighty A! by Karyn W. Tunks (4-5 Nonfiction)
Boy’s Best Friend by Kate Banks (4-5 Fiction)
Circus Mirandus by Cassie Beasley (6-8 Fiction)

2017-2018
This Book is Not About Dragons by Shelley Moore Thomas (K-1)
Madeline Finn and the Library Dog by Lisa Papp (2-3)
Mary Bowser and the Civil War Spy Ring by Enigma Alberti & Tony Cliff (4-5 Fiction)
Seven and a Half Tons of Steel by Janet Nolan (4-5 Non-Fiction)

2018-2019
Jack B. Ninja by Tim McCanna (K-1)
Hairpocalypse by Geoff Herbach (2-3)
Girls Who Code: The Friendship Code by Stacia Deutsch (4-5 Fiction)
The Boo-Boos that Changed the World: A True Story About an Accidental Invention (Really!) by Barr Wittenstein (4-5 Non-Fiction)

2019-2021
COVID-19 interrupted the awarding of winners during the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years. We forward to resuming the process in the fall of 2021.

2021-2022
The Very Impatient Caterpillar by Ross Burach (K-1)
Dragon Knight by J. R. Krause (2-3)
The Astronaut Who Painted the Moon: The True Story of Alan Bean by Dean Robbins and Sean Rubin (2-3 Nonfiction)
The Candy Mafia by Lanie Tidhar and Daniel Duncan (4-5 Fiction)
Voices from the Underground Railroad by Kay Winters (4-5 Nonfiction)
Tight by Torrey Maldonado (6-8 Fiction)
The Thrifty Guide to the American Revolution by Jonathan W. Stokes and David Sossella (6-8 Non-fiction)