

The logo features a large white circle on an orange background. A dashed yellow arc is on the left side of the circle, and a solid blue circle is on the right side. The text "Sunshine State Young Reader Awards" is centered within the white circle in a black, rounded font.

Sunshine State
Young Reader
Awards

SSYRA 2026-2027



Florida Association for Media in Education



2026-2027 SSYRA 3-5

The Bug Bandits by Jenni L. Walsh

Curveball by Pablo Cartaya

Forever Ripley by McCall Hoyle

Growing Home by Beth Ferry

The House at the Edge of Magic by Amy Sparkes

J vs. K by Kwame Alexander and Jerry Craft

The Last Resort by Erin Entrada Kelly

The Lion of Lark-Hayes Manor by Aubrey
Hartman

Misfit Mansion by Kay Davault

Punycorn by Andi Watson

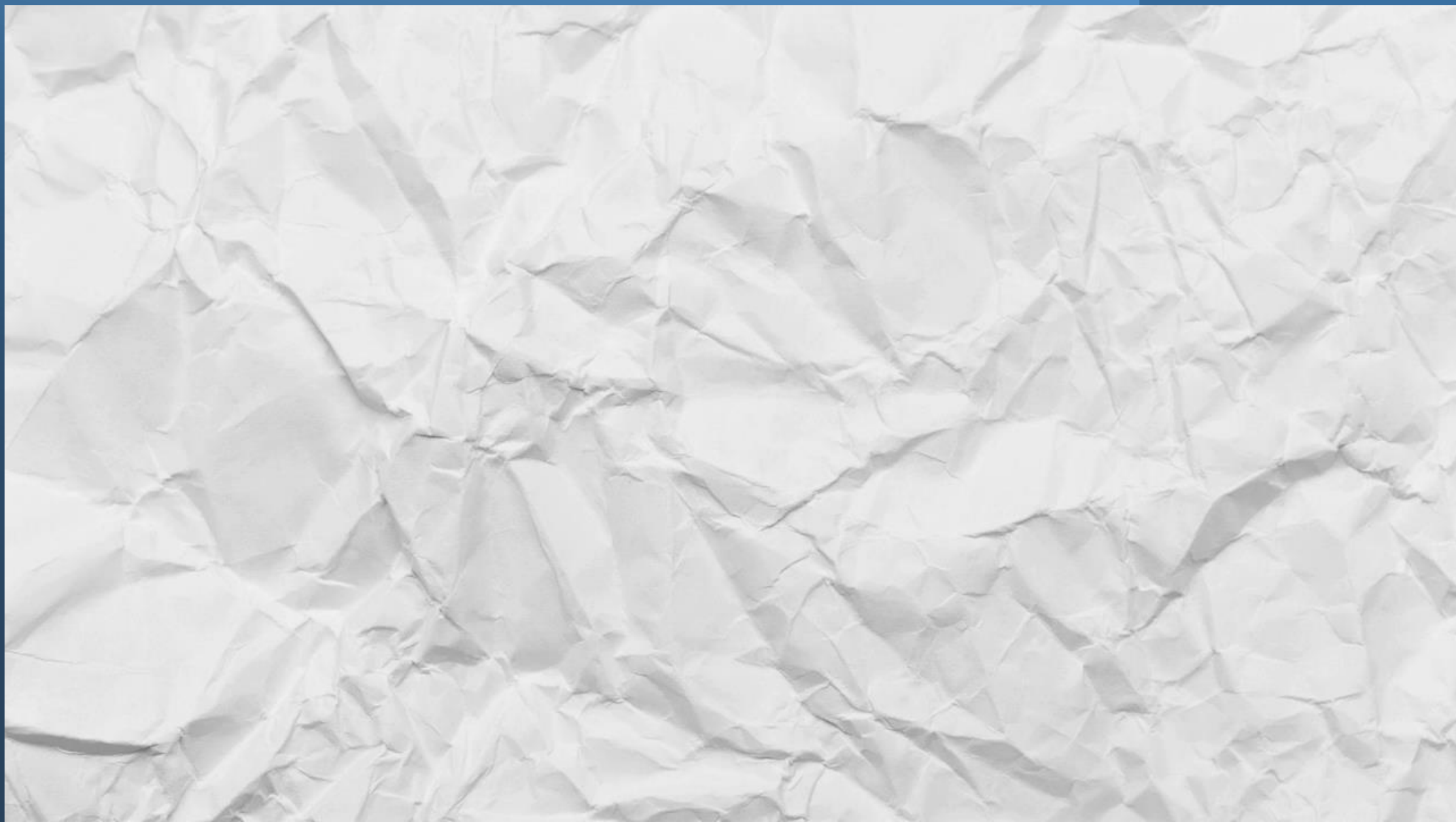
Queen of the Sea by Reese Eschmann

Reasons to Look at the Night Sky by Danielle
Daniel

The Sherlock Society by James Ponti

Swimming with Spies by Chrystyna Lucyk-Berger

Wrath of the Rain God by Karla Arenas Valenti



- **Coming Up!**

- This year, during media, we will be doing book talks on our 15 SSYRA titles. This means that for each book, we will talk a little about the characters and plot but don't worry, there will be no spoilers allowed! We will also talk about similar books, books by the same author, and non-fiction books we have in the media center that can help us understand the story more.

- **Maybe you will find your next favorite book on this year's list!**



Why should you read the SSRYA books?

- To get some really awesome rewards
- For a chance to participate in Battle of the Books!

FOR EVERY BOOK
YOU READ:

Brag tag for that book.





READ 5 OR MORE BOOKS:

- Brag tag for each book you read
- Reading bracelet





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READ 10 OR MORE BOOKS:

- Brag tag for each book
- Reading bracelet
- **CHOICE OF** 3D dragon fidget, dragon pen, or spiky squish ball
- Try out for the Battle of the Books Team!





READ ALL 15!

- Brag tag for every book
- Special brag tag for reading all 15
- Bracelet
- Choice of fidget, pen, or squish
- End-of-the-year ice cream party

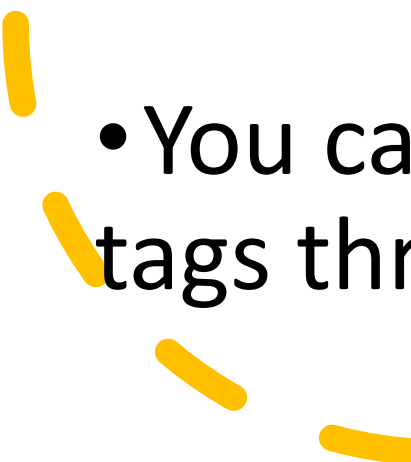


How do I prove I've read the books?

You will take a short quiz for each book you read in order to get credit for it. The quizzes are available on the media center website by clicking on the SSYRA quizzes link.

- **Deadline**

- The deadline to read and test in **10 books** so that you can qualify for the Battle of the Books team is not known yet. Tryouts for the team will be likely be held right after we return from winter break.



- You can continue to read books and earn brag tags through the end of the school year.



- **How will Battle of the Books work?**
- All students in grades 3-5 who have read at least 10 books will take a quiz to qualify for the Battle of the Books team. The students with the 5 highest scores will make up our team. The students with the next highest score will be alternate for the team. During the actual Battle of the Books competition, our team will answer questions about the books. So that means our team members need to be experts!
- Cunningham Creek has never won a Battle of the Books competition, but last year we were in second place!. Can we do it this year?