**2020-2021 Oregon Battle of the Books**

**9-12 Division Annotated Booklist**

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| **The 57 Bus by Dashka Slater** | | | | 2017 |
| This true account tells the story of two teens whose lives were irrevocably changed by one rash action. The story challenges the criminal justice system and explores the courage and compassion of both families. | | | | |
| True Crime | 320 Pages | 930L | AR 6.5 (8 Pts.) | |

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| **Blood Water Paint by Joy McCullough** | | | | 2018 |
| In Renaissance Italy, Artemisia Gentileschi endures the subjugation of women that allows her father to take credit for her extraordinary paintings, rape and the ensuing trial, and torture, buoyed by her deceased mother's stories of strong women of the Bible. | | | | |
| Historical Fiction | 320 pages | 740L | AR 5.5 (5 Pts.) | |

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| **The Bone Houses by Emily Lloyd-Jones** | | | | 2019 |
| When risen corpses called 'bone houses' threaten Ryn's village because of a decades-old curse, she teams up with a mapmaker named Ellis to solve the mystery of the curse and destroy the bone houses forever. | | | | |
| Horror | 352 pages |  |  | |

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| **Darius the Great is Not Okay by Adib Khorram** | | | | 2018 |
| Clinically depressed Darius Kellner, a high-school sophomore, travels to Iran to meet his grandparents, but it is their next-door neighbor, Sohrab, who changes his life. | | | | |
| Realistic Fiction | 336 pages |  | AR 4.7 (10 Pts.) | |

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| **The Hound of the Baskervilles by Arthur Conan Doyle** | | | | 1902 |
| Sherlock Holmes and Watson set out to solve the mystery that had haunted the Baskerville family for years and had recently occurred again. | | | | |
| Mystery Classic | 186 pages |  | AR 8.3 (11 Pts.) | |

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| **Illuminae by Amie Kaufman & Jay Kristoff** | | | | 2015 |
| The planet Kerenza is attacked, and Kady and Ezra find themselves on a space fleet fleeing the enemy while their ship's artificial intelligence system and a deadly plague may be the end of them all. | | | | |
| Science Fiction | 608 pages | 780L | AR 5.5 (14 Pts.) | |

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| **The Knife of Never Letting Go by Patrick Ness** | | | | 2008 |
| Pursued by power-hungry Prentiss and mad minister Aaron, young Todd and Viola set out across New World searching for answers about his colony's true past and seeking a way to warn the ship bringing hopeful settlers from Old World. | | | | |
| Dystopian Fiction | 512 pages | 860L | AR 4.4 (16 Pts.) | |

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| **Pride by Ibi Zoboi** | | | | 2018 |
| Zuri Benitez has pride. Brooklyn pride, family pride, and pride in her Afro-Latino roots. But pride might not be enough to save her rapidly gentrifying neighborhood from becoming unrecognizable. | | | | |
| Contemporary | 304 pages | 760L | AR 4.6 (9 Pts.) | |

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| **Seraphina by Rachel Hartman** | | | | 2012 |
| In a world where dragons and humans coexist in an uneasy truce, and dragons can assume human form, Seraphina, whose mother died giving birth to her, grapples with her own identity amid magical secrets and royal scandals. | | | | |
| Fantasy | 528 pages | 760L | AR 6.0 (18 Pts.) | |

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| **Tash Hearts Tolstoy by Kathryn Ormsbee** | | | | 2017 |
| Fame and success come at a cost for Natasha "Tash" Zelenka when she creates the web series "Unhappy Families," a modern adaptation of Anna Karenina--written by Tash's eternal love Leo Tolstoy. | | | | |
| Realistic Fiction | 400 pages | 790L |  | |

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| **They Both Die at the End by Adam Silvera** | | | | 2017 |
| When a service is create to tell people when they will die, teenagers Mateo and Rufus meet using the Last Friend app and are faced with the challenge of living a lifetime on their End Day. | | | | |
| Science Fiction | 373 pages | 870L | AR 5.5 (11 Pts.) | |

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| **Truly Devious by Maureen Johnson** | | | | 2018 |
| New at Ellingham Academy, Stevie Bell tries to solve both a murder at campus and the cold case of a double kidnapping. | | | | |
| Mystery | 420 pages | 680L | AR 4.9 (14 Pts.) | |