**2021-2022 Oregon Battle of the Books**

**9-12 Division Annotated Booklist**

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| **All Systems Red by Martha Wells** | | | | 2017 |
| In a corporate-dominated spacefaring future, planetary missions must be approved and supplied by the Company. Exploratory teams are accompanied by Company-supplied security androids, for their own safety. But in a society where contracts are awarded to the lowest bidder, safety isn't a primary concern. On a distant planet, a team of scientists are conducting surface tests, shadowed by their Company-supplied 'droid--a self-aware SecUnit that has hacked its own governor module, and refers to itself (though never out loud) as “Murderbot”. | | | | |
| Science Fiction | 160 Pages |  |  | |

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| **Ashlords by Scott Reintgen** | | | | 2020 |
| This book follows alchemists Imelda, Adrian, and Pippa as they reach for their dreams of glory riding phoenix horses at The Races, the modern spectacle that has replaced warfare within their empire. | | | | |
| Fantasy | 384 pages | 680L | AR 5.0 (13 Pts.) | |

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| **A Boy and His Dog at the End of the World by C.A. Fletcher** | | | | 2019 |
| When a beloved family dog is stolen, her owner sets out on a life-changing journey through the ruins of our world to bring her back. | | | | |
| Dystopia | 416 pages |  | AR 6.0 (18 Pts.) | |

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| **The Dark Matter of Mona Starr by Laura Lee Gulledge** | | | | 2020 |
| Follows the experiences of depressed teen Mona Starr, who learns how to manage profound feelings of unworthiness through therapy, art, writing and the support of a few good friends. | | | | |
| Graphic Novel | 192 pages |  |  | |

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| **A Good Girl’s Guide to Murder by Holly Jackson** | | | | 2020 |
| As her senior capstone project, Pippa Fitz-Amobi is determined to find the real killer in a closed local murder case, but not everyone wants her meddling in the past. | | | | |
| Thriller | 400 pages | HL700L | AR 5.4 (16 Pts.) | |

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| **I Love You So Mochi by Sarah Kuhn** | | | | 2019 |
| Kimi Nakamura loves fashion and designing clothes, jewelry, and accessories for her friends. Her mother calls that a hobby. Kimi tries to figure out what she wants when she visits her grandparents in Japan. | | | | |
| Romance | 320 pages | 810L | AR 5.5 (12 Pts.) | |

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| **Legendborn by Tracy Deonn** | | | | 2020 |
| To learn more about her mysterious past, a teen girl infiltrates a magical secret society claiming to be the descendants of King Arthur and his knights. | | | | |
| Fantasy | 544 pages | HL730L | AR 5.2 (24 Pts.) | |

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| **Not So Pure and Simple by Lamar Giles** | | | | 2020 |
| High school junior Del Rainey unwittingly joins a Purity Pledge class at church, hoping to get closer to his long-term crush, Kiera. | | | | |
| Contemporary | 416 pages |  | AR 4.9 (13 Pts.) | |

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| **We Are Not Free by Traci Chee** | | | | 2020 |
| A tightknit group of teens who grew up together in Japantown, San Francisco, have their lives turned upside down when they are forced into incarceration camps during WWII. | | | | |
| Historical Fiction | 400 pages |  | AR 5.5 (14 Pts.) | |

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| **What I Carry by Jennifer Longo** | | | | 2020 |
| In her final year in foster care, seventeen-year-old Muir tries to survive her senior year before aging out of the system. | | | | |
| Contemporary | 352 pages | HL690L | AR 4.6 (12 Pts.) | |

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| **With the Fire on High by Elizabeth Acevedo** | | | | 2019 |
| Navigating the challenges of finishing high school while caring for a daughter, talented cook Emoni Santiago struggles with a lack of time and money that complicate her dream of working in a professional kitchen. | | | | |
| Contemporary | 416 pages | 810L | AR 5.2 (11 Pts.) | |

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| **You Should See Me in a Crown by Leah Johnson** | | | | 2020 |
| Liz Lighty has always avoided the spotlight in her small, wealthy, and prom-obsessed Midwestern high school. She concentrates on grades and music until circumstances force a change in plans. | | | | |
| Contemporary | 336 pages | 880L | AR 5.9 (12 Pts.) | |