

2025 WEMTA Battle of the Books
Elementary Division (grades 4-6)

(Title Order)

Absolutely Nat by Maria Scrivan

The Big Cheese by Jory John

Big Tree by Brian Selznick

The Challenger Disaster: Tragedy in the Skies by Pranas T. Naujokaitis

City Spies by James Ponti

Contenders: Two Native Baseball Players, One World Series by Traci Sorell

Finding Langston by Lesa Cline-Ransome

Invisible by Christina Diaz Gonzalez

Jumper: A Day in the Life of a Backyard Jumping Spider by Jessica Lanan

Lila Greer, Teacher of the Year by Andrea Beaty

The Lost Library by Rebecca Stead and Wendy Mass

Midnight at the Barclay Hotel by Fleur Bradley

The One and Only Ruby by Katherine Applegate

Ostriches Eat Sausage: An Alphabet Book by Robin R. Kelley

Red, White and Whole by Rajani LaRocca

Roll With It by Jamie Sumner

Running Out of Time by Margaret Peterson Haddix

Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr

A Very Cranky Book by Angela DiTerlizzi

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown

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Golden Archer Nominees (Primary)

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Golden Archer Nominees (Intermediate)

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The Lost Library by Rebecca Stead and Wendy Mass

The One and Only Ruby by Katherine Applegate

** Golden Archer Nominees NOT being used in Battle: *Dog Man: Mothering Heights* by Dav Pilkey and *Odder* by Katherine Applegate

Advisors' Choices

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Roll With It by Jamie Sumner

Running Out of Time by Margaret Peterson Haddix (previously used 2006)

Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes by Eleanor Coerr (previously used 2017)

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown (previously used 2018)