

Guidelines for Nominating Books for the MCBA Master List

Schools and Libraries: Please use the accompanying Nomination Form to submit your nominations.

Publishers: Please mail eligible books to Dr. Michelle Pierce, Education Department, Salem State College, 352 Lafayette St., Salem, MA 01970. Please see eligibility requirements below.

The following guidelines should be kept in mind when nominating books:

1. chapter books (no picture books);
2. various genres, including non-fiction;
3. available in paperback by April before the award year;
4. originally published within five years of the award year;
5. of high literary value;
6. inclusive of diverse cultures;
7. appealing to 4th, 5th, and 6th graders;
8. able to be read by strong, average, and weak readers in grades 4, 5, and 6.

Focus on the interests of the target age group and maintain a balance among books of interest to both boys and girls. An author may only be listed once on the list.

Ineligible titles: past MCBA winners and titles on previous master lists

Previous Master Lists are available on our website: www.salemstate.edu/education/mcba/

Nomination Form for Master List for Massachusetts Children's Book Award

Almost Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Advanced Grade 6
<p>Remember the 5-year publication window!</p>		<p align="center">THANK YOU!</p>	<p>Titles must be available in paperback!</p>	

Submitted by:
 Staff are encouraged to
 collaborate on a form.
 Ask the children for input.

Name: _____

Name: _____

School/Library: _____

City/town: _____

Return by March 15 to:

Dr. Michelle Pierce, MCBA, Education Department, Salem State College, 352 Lafayette Street, Salem, MA 01970-5353

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PUBLISHERS: Please mail a copy of the nominated titles to the address above.