HIGH SCHOOL

YA FICTION

Bates, Laura

The Burning

Anna and her mother have moved hundreds of miles to put the past behind them. Anna hopes to make a fresh start and escape the harassment she's been subjected to. But then rumors and whispers start, and Anna tries to ignore what is happening by immersing herself in learning about Maggie, a local woman accused of witchcraft in the seventeenth century. A woman who was shamed. Silenced. And whose story has unsettling parallels to Anna's own. (Hoopla)

Brown, Savannah

The Truth About Keeping Secrets

Sometimes it's safer for the truth to stay a secret. Sydney's dad is the only psychiatrist for miles in their small Ohio town. He knows everybody's secrets. Which is why it's so shocking when he's killed in an accident. Grief-stricken Sydney can't understand why the police have no explanation for what happened the night of her dad's car crash. And when June Copeland, the homecoming queen whose life seems perfect, shows up at the funeral, Sydney's confusion grows. What is picture-perfect June hiding? And does Sydney even want to know? **(Hoopla)**

Bushnell, Candace

Rules for Being a Girl

Marin has always been good at navigating these unspoken guidelines. A star student and editor of the school paper, she dreams of getting into Brown University. Marin's future seems bright--and her young, charismatic English teacher, Mr. Beckett, is always quick to admire her writing and talk books with her. But when "Bex" takes things too far and comes on to Marin, she's shocked and horrified. Had she somehow led him on? Was it her fault? When Marin works up the courage to tell the administration what happened, no one believes her. She's forced to face Bex in class every day. Except now, he has an ax to grind. But Marin isn't about to back down. She uses the school newspaper to fight back and she starts a feminist book club at school. She finds allies in the most unexpected people, like "slutty" Gray Kendall, who she'd always dismissed as just another lacrosse bro. As things heat up at school and in her personal life, Marin must figure out how to take back the power and write her own rules. **(Libby)**

Capin, Hannah

Dead Queens Club

"Mean Girls" meets "The Tudors" in this clever contemporary retelling of Henry VIII and his wives (or, in this case, his high school girlfriends)--a fun, snarky read that provides great historical detail in an accessible way for teens while giving the infamous tale of Henry VIII its own unique spin. (Hoopla, Libby)

Cavarello, Brittany

Hello Girls

Best friends are forged by fire. For Winona Olsen and Lucille Pryce, that fire happened the night they met outside the police station, both deciding whether to turn their families in for abuse and mistreatment. They realize they can't wait until graduation to start their new lives. They need out. Now. All they need is three grand, fast. And really, a stolen convertible to take them from Michigan to Las Vegas can't hurt. **(Hoopla, Libby)**

Cluess, Jessica

House of Dragons

Five royal houses will hear the call to compete in the Trial for the dragon throne. A liar, a soldier, a servant, a thief, and a murderer will answer it. Who will win? *Three Dark Crowns* meets *The Breakfast Club* with DRAGONS When the Emperor dies, the five royal houses of Etrusia attend the Call, where one of their own will be selected to compete for the throne. It is always the oldest child, the one who has been preparing for years to compete in the Trial. But this year is different. This year these five outcasts will answer the call. *(Libby)*

Coats, J. Anderson

Spindle and Dagger

Wales, 1109. For three years, Elen has had plenty of food, clothes to wear, and a bed to sleep in that she shares with the man who brought [a] warband to her door. Then Owain abducts Nest, the wife of a Norman lord, and her three children, triggering full-out war. As war rages, and her careful lies threaten to unravel, Elen begins to look to Nest and see a different life--if she can decide, once and for all, where her loyalties lie. *(Libby)*

Chupico, Rin

Wicked as you Wish

Years after the evil Snow Queen desolated the magical kingdom of Avalon, Prince Alexei, his friend Tala, and a ragtag band, inspired by the appearance of the Firebird, try to reclaim their land. **(Hoopla)**

Connis, Dave

Suggested Reading

After her principal bans a number of books from the school library, bibliophile student Clara joins forces with her friends to start an underground library. **(Hoopla)**

Das, Mintie

Brown Girl Ghosted

Violet Choudhury may be part of the popular clique at school, but as one of a handful of brown girls in a small Illinois town, all she really wants to do is blend in and disappear. Unfortunately for her, she's got a knack for seeing spirits, including the dead--something she's tried to ignore all her life. But when the queen bee of Violet's cheerleading squad ends up dead following a sex tape that's not as consensual as everyone wants to believe, Violet'sfriends from the spirit world decide it's the perfect time for Violet to test her skills and finally accept the legacy of spiritual fighters from whom she's descended. Her mission? Find the killer. Or else she's next. **(Hoopla)**

Enni, Sarah

Tell Me Everything

With her best friend Harold off to the National Merit Scholar summer program at Stanford, Ivy discovers a new photo-sharing site called VEIL where people can anonymously post secrets and art, and which only shows posts within a five mile radius of the user's location; with such a narrow focus, Ivy realizes that she can identify many of the posters as kids in her Sudden Cove High School--so she starts leaving small, anonymous gifts for them, but the surprise she prepares for Harold goes catastrophically wrong, and VEIL turns out to have secrets of its own. *(Libby)*

Giles, Lamar

Not So Pure and Simple

Del has had a crush on Kiera Westing since kindergarten. And now, during their junior year, she's finally available. So when Kiera volunteers for an opportunity at their church, Del's right behind her. Though he quickly realizes he's inadvertently signed up for a Purity Pledge. His dad thinks his wires are crossed, and his best friend, Qwan, doesn't believe any girl is worth the long game. But Del's not about to lose his dream girl, and that's where fellow pledger Jameer comes in. He can put in the good word. In exchange, Del just has to get answers to the Pledgers' questions...about sex ed. With other boys circling Kiera like sharks, Del needs to make his move fast. But as he plots and plans, he neglects to ask the most important question: What does Kiera want? He can't think about that too much, though, because once he gets the girl, it'll all sort itself out. Right? (Hoopla, Libby)

Hattrup, Karen

Our Year in Love and Parties

Tucker Campanelli knows that relationships take work, but some are easier than others. When Erika Green comes back into his life, stirring up old feelings, a small part of him knows he shouldn't get too attached during senior year. Erika who, from before the video, liked to shock people with her words and bright-pink hair. Lately she's been holing herself up in small, liberal college life and hoping that the past will stay where it belongs. But with Tucker, she doesn't have to pretend to be okay. *(Libby)*

Jackson, Holly

A Good Girl's Guide to Murder

As her senior capstone project, Pippa Fitz-Amobi is determined to find the real killer in a closed, local murdercase, but not everyone wants her meddling in the past. *(Libby)*

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La Sala, Ryan

Reverie

While recovering from an attack that leaves him without his memory, gay teenager Kane Montgomery stumbles into a world where dreams known as reveries take on a life of their own, and it is up to Kane and a few unlikely allies to stop them before they spillover into the waking world. **(Hoopla, Libby)**

Lee, Jenny

Anna K: A Love Story

Told from multiple viewpoints, while seventeen-year-old Anna K seems above the typical problems of her Manhattan friends and siblings, finding love with a notorious playboy changes everything. A contemporary retelling of Anna Karenina. **(Libby)**

Lord, Emma

Tweet Cute

Meet Pepper, swim team captain, chronic overachiever, and all-around perfectionist. Her family may be falling apart, but their massive fast-food chain is booming - mainly thanks to Pepper, who is barely managing to juggle real life while secretly running Big League Burger's massive Twitter account. Enter Jack, class clown and constant thorn in Pepper's side. When he isn't trying to duck out of his obscenely popular twin's shadow, he's busy working in his family's deli. His relationship with the business that holds his future might be love/hate, but when Big League Burger steals his grandma's iconic grilled cheese recipe, he'll do whatever it takes to take them down, one tweet at a time. All's fair in love and cheese - that is, until Pepper and Jack's spat turns into a viral Twitter war. **(Libby)**

McGee, Katharine

American Royals

When America won the Revolutionary War, its people offered General George Washington a crown. Two and a half centuries later, the House of Washington still sits on the throne. As Princess Beatrice gets closer to becoming America's first queen regnant, the duty she has embraced her entire life suddenly feels stifling. Princess Samantha doesn't care much about anything-- except the one boy who is distinctly off-limits to her. And Samantha's twin, Prince Jefferson, has two very different girls vying to capture his heart. (Libby)

McGinnis, Mindy

Be Not Far From Me

When Ashley goes hiking in the Smokies with her friends for a night of partying, the falling dark and creaking trees are second nature to her. Catching her boyfriend with another girl, drunken rage sends Ashley running into the night, stopped only by a nasty fall into a ravine. Morning brings the realization that she is alone-- and far off trail. Lost in undisturbed forest, with nothing but the clothes on her back, Ashley must figure out how to survive despite the red streak of infection creeping up her leg. **(Libby)**

McManus, Karen M.

One of Us Is Next

A year after the Bayview four were cleared of Simon Kelleher's death a ton of copycat gossip apps have popped up, but no one's been able to fill the gossip void quite like he could. Now a game with dangerous consequences is targeting students at Bayview-- and if the creator isn't found soon, dangerous could prove deadly. If you choose not to play, it's a truth. And Phoebe is the first target. Maeve is next. By the time Knox is tagged, the dares have become deadly. **(Libby)**

Milman, Derek

Swipe Right for Murder

Finding himself alone in a posh New York City hotel room for the night, Aidan does what any red-blooded seventeen-year-old would do-- he tries to hook up with someone new. But that lapse in judgment leads to him waking up next to a dead guy, which sparks an epic case of mistaken identity. Now he's on the run from federal agents -- and a cyber-terrorist group who will stop at nothing to find him. **(Libby)**

Morgyn, Ava

Resurrection Girls

Drawn out of her grief by new neighbors, the Hallas women, sixteen-year-old Olivia Foster perceives a darkness surrounding them that goes beyond Kara Hallas's habit of writing to men on death row. **(Hoopla)**

High School Summer Reading 2020 Morris, Brittney

Slay

An honors student at Jefferson Academy, seventeen-year-old Kiera enjoys developing and playing Slay, a secret, multiplayer online role-playing game celebrating black culture, until the two worlds collide. *(Libby)*

Mowskowitz, Hannah

Isabel has one rule: no dating. It's easier-it's safer-it's better-for the other person. She's got issues. She's got secrets. She's got rheumatoid arthritis. But then she meets another sick kid. He's got a chronic illness Isabel's never heard of, something she can't even pronounce. He understands what it means to be sick. (Hoopla, Libby)

Sick Kids in Love

Onyebuchi, Tochi

War Girls

In 2172, when much of the world is unlivable, sisters Onyii and Ify dream of escaping war-torn Nigeria and finding a better future together but are, instead, torn apart. *(Libby)*

Ryan, Tom

Keep This to Yourself

Last summer the Catalog Killer terrorized the sleepy seaside town of Camera Cove, killing four people before disappearing without a trace. Mac Bell is trying to put that horrible summer behind him-- easier said than done since Mac's best friend Connor was the murderer's final victim. **(Hoopla, Libby)**

Silvera, Adam

Infinity Son

In a world where some people are born with powers and some people take them, brothers Emil and Brighton Rey get swept up in a supernatural turf war generations in the making. **(Hoopla, Libby)**

Sheinmel, Alyssa

A Danger to Herself and Others

After her best friend, Agnes, goes into a coma as a result of a game of Truth or Dare, rising senior Hannah's secrets begin to escape while she is locked in a psychiatric hospital. (Hoopla)

Shah, London

The Light at the Bottom of the World

Teenaged Leyla McQueen, who lives beneath the ruins of a submerged London in 2099, joins a prestigious submersible race in the hope of clearing her father's name before encountering government corruption and a hidden world. **(Hoopla)**

Smith, Eric

Don't Read the Comments

At home, Divya and Aaron grapple with their problems alone, but in the game, they have each other to face infinite new worlds...and the growing legion of trolls populating them. Soon the virtual harassment seeps into reality when a group called the Vox Populi begin launching real-world doxxing campaigns, threatening Aaron's dreams and Divya's actual life. The online trolls think they can drive her out of the game, but everything and everyone Divya cares about is on the line...And she isn't going anywhere without a fight. *(Libby)*

Stevens, Court

The June Boys

The Gemini Thief is a serial kidnapper, who takes three boys and holds them captive from June 1st to June 30th of the following year. The June Boys endure thirteen months of being stolen, hidden, observed, and fed before they are released, unharmed, by their masked captor. The Thief is a pro, having eluded authorities for nearly a decade and taken at least twelve boys. Now Thea Delacroix has reason to believe the Gemini Thief has taken a thirteenth victim: her cousin, Aulus McClaghen. But the game changes when one of the kidnapped boys turns up dead. Together with her boyfriend Nick and her best friends, Thea is determined to find the Gemini Thief and the remaining boys before it's too late. **(Hoopla)**

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Yoon, Nicola

Frankly in Love

High school senior Frank Li is caught between his parents' traditional expectations and his own Southern California upbringing. His parents have one rule when it comes to romance: 'Date Korean. But Frank falls for Brit Means, who is smart, beautiful-- and white. Joy Song is in a similar predicament, and they make a pact: they'll pretend to date each other in order to gain their freedom. It seems like the perfect plan, until their fake-dating maneuver leaves Frank wondering if he ever really understood love- or himself- at all. **(Libby)**

Go With the Flow

YA GRAPHIC

Williams, Lily

Sophomores Abby, Brit, Christine, and Sasha are fed up. Hazelton High never has enough tampons. Or pads. Or adults who will listen. Sick of an administration that puts football before female health, the girls confront a world that shrugs--or worse, squirms--at the thought of a menstruation revolution. They band together to make a change. Its no easy task, especially while grappling with everything from crushes to trig to JV track but they have each others backs. That is, until one of the girls goes rogue, testing the limits of their friendship and pushing the friends to question the power of their own voices. Now they must learn to work together to raise each other up. But how to you stand your ground while raising bloody hell? **(Libby)**

YA NON-FICTION

YA 158.1 Morgan

Positively Teen

Morgan teaches teens how to approach their adolescent years with optimism and understanding. She provides advice on how to flourish both physically and mentally, giving them the skills they need to develop long-term well-being. She emphasizes the importance of doing things you enjoy, and understanding the relation of diet, exercise and attitude to your personality and long-term well-being. **(Libby)**

YA 305.8 Reynolds

Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You

The construct of race has always been used to gain and keep power, to create dynamics that separate and silence. Racist ideas are woven into the fabric of this country, and the first step to building an antiracist America is acknowledging America's racist past and present. This book takes you on that journey, showing how racist ideas started and were spread, and how they can be discredited. **(Libby)**

YA 979.466 Markham

The Far Away Brothers

Identical twins Ernesto and Raul Flores, seventeen, must flee El Salvador, make a harrowing journey across the Rio Grande and the Texas desert, face capture by immigration authorities, and struggle to navigate life in America. **(Libby)**

YA POETRY

Nye, Naomi Shihab

Cast Away: Poems for Our Time

Acclaimed poet and Young People's Poet Laureate Naomi Shihab Nye shines a spotlight on the things we cast away, from plastic water bottles to those less fortunate, in this collection of more than eighty original and never-before-published poems. A deeply moving, sometimes funny, and always provocative poetry collection for all ages.

YA SHORT STORY

Adler, Dahlia

His Hideous Heart

Thirteen of Poe's terrifying works are reimagined in new and unexpected ways for modern readers. Poe's own stories are included, so readers can compare. *(Libby)*