

# William Allen White Award Winners

The William Allen White Children's Book Award program was founded in 1952 by Ruth Garver Gagliardo, a specialist in children's literature for Emporia State University. One of the few literary awards that asks young readers to choose the winners, the program is directed by Emporia State University and supported in part by the Trusler Foundation.

Year	Title & Author
2023	<b>Scratch Scratch</b> by Lindsay Curries (gr. 3-5)
	<b>96 Miles</b> by J.L. Esplin (gr. 6-8)
2022	<b>Wildfire</b> by Rodman Philbrick (gr. 3-5)
	<b>The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise</b> by Dan Gemeinhart (gr. 6-8)
2021	<b>Small Space</b> by Katherine Arden (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Ghost Boys</b> by Jewell Parker Rhodes (gr. 6-8)
2020	<b>Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus</b> by Dusti Bowling (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Restart: Lose Your Memory. Find Your Life</b> by Gordon Korman (gr. 6-8)
2019	<b>Pax</b> by Sara Pennypacker (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Ghost</b> by Jason Reynolds (gr. 6-8)
2018	<b>Fish in a Tree</b> by Lynda Mullaly Hunt (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Took</b> by Mary Downing Hahn (gr. 6-8)
2017	<b>Life on Mars</b> by Jennifer Brown (gr. 3-5)
	<b>A Million Ways Home</b> by Dianna Dorisi Winget (gr. 6-8)
2016	<b>The Boy on the Porch</b> by Sharon Creech (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library</b> by Chris Grabenstein (gr. 6-8)
2015	<b>Malcolm at Midnight</b> by W.H. Beck (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Buddy</b> by M.H. Herlong (gr. 6-8)
2014	<b>America is Under Attack: September 11, 2001</b> by Don Brown (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Hidden</b> by Helen Frost (gr. 6-8)
2013	<b>Guinea Dog</b> by Patrick Jennings (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Ghost Dog Secrets</b> by Peg Kehret (gr. 6-8)
2012	<b>11 Birthdays</b> by Wendy Mass (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Confetti Girl</b> by Diana Lopez (gr. 6-8)
2011	<b>Eleven</b> by Patricia Reilly Giff (gr. 3-5)
	<b>The Boy Who Dared</b> by Susan Campbell Bartoletti (gr. 6-8)
2010	<b>How to Steal a Dog</b> by Barbara O'Connor (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam</b> by Cynthia Kadohata (gr. 6-8)
2009	<b>Clementine</b> by Sara Pennypacker (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Yellow Star</b> by Jennifer Roy (gr. 6-8)
2008	<b>A Dog's Life: The Autobiography of a Stray</b> by Ann M. Martin (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Airball: My Life in Briefs</b> by L.D. Harkrader (gr. 6-8)
2007	<b>The Report Card</b> by Andrew Clements (gr. 3-5)
	<b>So B. It</b> by Sarah Weeks (gr. 6-8)
2006	<b>Donuthead</b> by Sue Stauffacher (gr. 3-5)
	<b>The City of Ember</b> by Jeanne Duprau (gr. 6-8)
2005	<b>Loser</b> by Jerry Spinelli (gr. 3-5)

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	<b>Surviving the Applewhites</b> by Stephanie S. Tolan (gr. 6-8)
2004	<b>Ghost Sitter</b> by Peni R. Griffin (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Surviving Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps</b> by Andrea Warren (gr. 6-8)
2003	<b>Because of Winn Dixie</b> by Kate DiCamillo (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Dovey Cove</b> by Frances O’Roark Dowell (gr. 6-8)
2002	<b>The Landry News</b> by Andrew Clements (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Bud, Not Buddy</b> by Christopher Paul Curtis (gr. 6-8)
2001	<b>The Ghost of Fossil Glen</b> by Cynthia C. DeFelice (gr. 3-5)
	<b>Holes</b> by Louis Sachar (gr. 6-8)
2000	<b>White Water</b> by P.J. Petersen
1999	<b>Frindle</b> by Andrew Clements
1998	<b>Mick Harte Was Here</b> by Barbara Park
1997	<b>Time for Andrew</b> by Mary Downing Hahn
1996	<b>The Giver</b> by Lois Lowry
1995	<b>The Man Who Loved Clowns</b> by June Rae Wood
1994	<b>Shiloh</b> by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
1993	<b>Maniac Magee</b> by Jerry Spinelli
1992	<b>The Doll in the Garden</b> by Mary Downing Hahn
1991	<b>Beauty</b> by Bill Wallace
1990	<b>Hatchet</b> by Gary Paulsen
1989	<b>On My Honor</b> by Marion Dane Bauer
1988	<b>Cracker Jackson</b> by Betsy Byars
1987	<b>The War with Grandpa</b> by Robert Kimmel Smith
1986	<b>Daphne’s Book</b> by Mary Downing Hahn
1985	<b>The Land I Lost: Adventures of a Boy in Vietnam</b> by Huynh Quang Nhuong
1984	<b>A Light in the Attic</b> by Shel Silverstein
1983	<b>Peppermints in the Parlor</b> by Barbara Brooks Wallace
1982	<b>The Magic of the Glits</b> by Carole S. Adler
1981	<b>The Great Gilly Hopkins</b> by Katherine Paterson
1980	<b>The Pinballs</b> by Betsy Byars
1979	<b>Summer of the Monkeys</b> by Wilson Rawls
1978	<b>The Great Christmas Kidnapping Caper</b> by Jean Van Leeuwen
1977	<b>Harry Cat’s Pet Puppy</b> by George Selden Thompson
1976	<b>Socks</b> by Beverly Cleary
1975	<b>Dominic</b> by William Steig
1974	<b>Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH</b> by Robert O’Brien
	<b>The Headless Cupid</b> by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
1973	<b>The Trumpet of the Swan</b> by E.B. White
1972	<b>Sasha: My Friend</b> by Barbara Corcoran
1971	<b>Kavik: The Wolf Dog</b> by Walter Morey
1970	<b>From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler</b> by Elaine Konigsburg
1969	<b>Henry Reed’s Babysitting Service</b> by Keith Robertson
1968	<b>The Mouse and the Motorcycle</b> by Beverly Cleary

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1967	<b>The Grizzly</b> by Annabel and Edgar Johnson
1966	<b>Rascal</b> by Sterling North
1965	<b>Bristle Face</b> by Kelly R. Masters
1964	<b>The Incredible Journey</b> by Sheila Burnford
1963	<b>Island of the Blue Dolphins</b> by Scott O'Dell
1962	<b>The Helen Keller Story</b> by Catherine Owens Peare
1961	<b>Henry Reed, Inc.</b> by Keith Robertson
1960	<b>Flaming Arrows</b> by William O. Steele
1959	<b>Old Yeller</b> by Fred Gipson
1958	<b>White Falcon</b> by Elliot Arnold
1957	<b>Daniel 'Coon</b> by Phoebe Erickson
1956	<b>Brighty of the Grand Canyon</b> by Marguerite Henry
1955	<b>Cherokee Bill: Oklahoma Pacer</b> by Jean Bailey
1954	<b>Little Vic</b> by Doris Gates
1953	<b>Amos Fortune, Free Man</b> by Elizabeth Yates