



## Spring Break Learning Opportunities- never stop learning!

<p><b>2019 March Book Madness <u>Picture Book List</u> -</b>  <b>This Year's Theme is "The Characters' Journey."</b>          Grades PreK-4  <a href="http://marchbookmadness.weebly.com/picture-book-bracket.html">http://marchbookmadness.weebly.com/picture-book-bracket.html</a></p>	<p><b>AzMerit Writing, ELA, and Math</b>  <b>Practice Tests</b>          Grades 3-8  <a href="https://azmeritportal.org/sample-tests.html">https://azmeritportal.org/sample-tests.html</a></p>	<p><b>2019 March Book Madness <u>Middle Grade Book List</u> -</b>  <b>This Year's Theme is "The Characters' Journey."</b>          Grades 4-8  <a href="http://marchbookmadness.weebly.com/mg-novel-bracket.html">http://marchbookmadness.weebly.com/mg-novel-bracket.html</a></p>
<p><b>Finding Winnie</b> By Lindsay Mattick and Sophie Blackall - 2016 Champion  <b>Gaston</b> by Kelly DiPucchio and Christian Robinson - 2017 Champion  <b>Not Quite Narwhal</b> by Jessie Sima - 2018 Champion  <b>A Big Mooncake For Little Star</b> by Grace Lin  <b>Ada's Violin</b> by Susan Hood and Sally Wern Comport  <b>Drawn Together</b> by Minh Lê and Dan Santat  <b>Dreamers</b> by Yuyi Morales  <b>I Walk With Vanessa</b> by Kerascoët  <b>King For a Day</b> by Ruksana Khan  <b>Let The Children March</b> by Monica Clark-Robinson and Frank Morrison  <b>Nelson Mandela</b> by Kadir Nelson  <b>Teddy's Favorite Toy</b> by Christian Timmer and Madeline Valentine  <b>The Day You Begin</b> by Jacqueline Woodson and Rafael López  <b>The Field</b> by Baptiste Paul and Jacqueline Alcántara  <b>The Very Last Castle</b> by Travis Jonker and Mark Pett  <b>We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga</b> by Traci Sorell and Frané Lessa</p>	<p>A way for students to practice using the software, typing, and format of the assessments that will be provided in April.</p> <p><b>Directions and Observations</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Click <b>Take Sample Tests</b> from link above</li> <li>2. Once in the <b>Sample Tests Sign In Portal</b> Make sure Guest User is in the <b>ON</b> position</li> <li>3. Then click blue <b>SIGN IN</b> at the bottom</li> <li>4. Choose student's <b>GRADE</b></li> <li>5. Choose <b>Test</b> to practice on</li> <li>6. <b>Writing-</b> students will write rough draft and type final draft in this portal. The use of reading material to support their writing is important to note. They will also benefit from practicing the <b>online dictionary</b> and <b>thesaurus</b>.</li> <li>7. <b>Reading-</b> students will answer multiple questions using various types of reading passages. They may use the same passage for multiple types of questions.</li> <li>8. <b>Math-</b> the biggest learning opportunity here is the use of the <b>equation editor</b>. Also, questions may ask for multiple answers.</li> </ol>	<p><b>Percy Jackson: Lightning Thief</b> by Rick Riordan - 2015 Champion  <b>Out of My Mind</b> by Sharon Draper - 2016 Champion  <b>A Night Divided</b> by Jennifer Nielsen - 2017 Champion  <b>Restart</b> by Gordon Korman - 2018 Champion  <b>Cardboard Kingdom</b> by Chad Sell  <b>Dactyl Hill Squad</b> by Daniel José Older  <b>First Rule of Punk</b> by Celia Pérez  <b>Front Desk</b> by Kelly Yang  <b>Great Greene Heist</b> by Varian Johnson  <b>Harbor Me</b> by Jacqueline Woodson  <b>Inside Out &amp; Back Again</b> by Thanhha Lai  <b>The Best Man</b> by Richard Peck  <b>The Epic Fail</b> of Arturo Zamora by Pablo Cartaya  <b>The Gauntlet</b> by Karuna Riaz  <b>The Jumbies</b> by Tracey Baptiste  <b>The Red Pencil</b> by Andrea Davis Pinkney</p>

*"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." - Dr. Seuss*