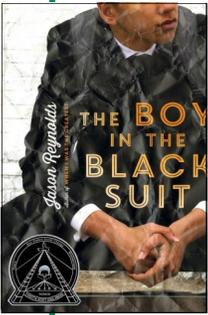


2018 Nutmeg Book Award Teen Nominees



The Boy in the Black Suit

by Jason Reynolds

Matt is trying to cope with his mom's death from cancer and his dad's drinking. A job at a local funeral home gives him comfort and then he meets a girl, who helps him share his feelings. This is a story of growing from loss.



Full Cicada Moon

by Marilyn Hilton

All Mimi wants is to be an astronaut, but being a female with Japanese and African-American parents in 1969 Vermont comes with its own challenges. As she makes new friends and overcomes the barriers around her, she realizes what is really important.



Goodbye Stranger

by Rebecca Stead

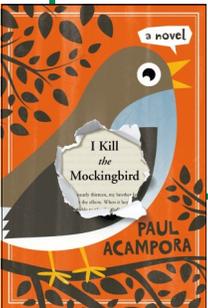
Three girls, who promised never to fight, have found their friendship tested. Will their friendship survive the trials of middle school and growing up?



I am Princess X

by Cherie Priest

When they were young May and Libby created a princess together. When Libby died the princess died with her. Years later May starts seeing images of the princess around town. Could Libby still be alive?



I Kill the Mockingbird

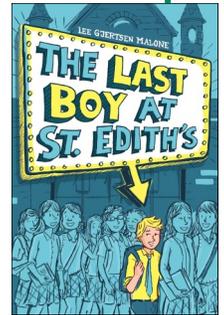
by Paul Acampora

In honor of their recently deceased teacher a group of friends hatch a plot to popularize the classic "To Kill a Mockingbird," by creating a controversy surrounding the novel. Their efforts increase demand, but have consequences they don't expect.

The Last Boy at St. Edith's

by Lee Gjersten Malone

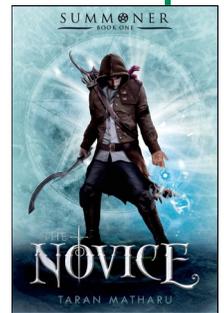
There used to be 27 boys at St. Edith's Academy, but over time all but one left leaving Jeremy the only boy out of 475 students! In desperation, Jeremy pulls a series of pranks in hopes of getting expelled so he can go to school with his friends.



The Novice

by Taran Matharu

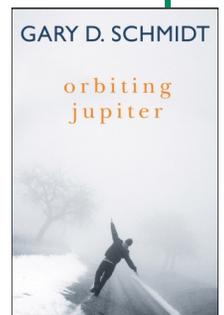
When Fletcher accidentally summons a Familiar, he is forced to leave his home to attend The Academy where he is taught how to use his powers.



Orbiting Jupiter

by Gary Schmidt

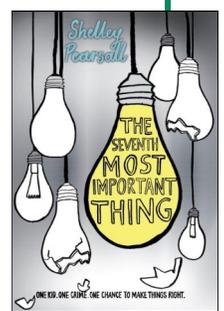
Trying to escape his past, Joseph is trying to find his future. Can Jack and his family help Joseph find a home on their family farm? Will Joseph find the one thing from his past that he is looking for?



The Seventh Most Important Thing

by Shelley Pearsall

After his father's death, Arthur throws a brick at the local "Junk Man" when he sees him wearing his father's favorite hat. He is sentenced to community service working with the Junk Man to complete his mysterious project.



Thirteen Chairs

by Dave Shelton

Thirteen souls at a table, each with a tale to tell. Are you brave enough to pull up a chair?

