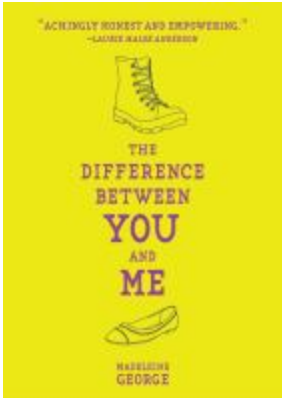


## LGBTQ



***The Difference Between You and Me*** by Madeleine George

School outsider Jesse, a lesbian, is having secret trysts with Emily, the popular student council vice president, but when they find themselves on opposite sides of a major issue and Jesse becomes more involved with a student activist, they are forced to make a difficult decision.

Y FICTION George

Recommended for Grades 8+

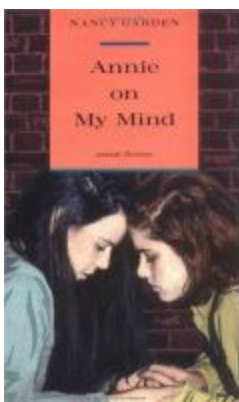


***Ask the Passengers*** by A.S. King

Astrid Jones copes with her small town's gossip and narrow-mindedness by staring at the sky and imagining that she's sending love to the passengers in the airplanes flying high over her backyard. Maybe they'll know what to do with it. Maybe it'll make them happy. Maybe they'll need it. Her mother doesn't want it, her father's always stoned, her perfect sister's too busy trying to fit in, and the people in her small town would never allow her to love the person she really wants to: another girl named Dee. There's no one Astrid feels she can talk to about this deep secret or the profound questions that she's trying to answer. But little does she know just how much sending her love--and asking the right questions--will affect the passengers' lives, and her own, for the better.

Y FICTION KING

Recommended for Grades 10+



***Annie on My Mind*** by Nancy Garden

Liza puts aside her feelings for Annie after the disaster at school, but eventually she allows love to triumph over the ignorance of people.

Y PB Garden

Recommended for Grades 9+



***Rainbow Boys*** by Alex Sanchez

Three high school seniors, a jock with a girlfriend and an alcoholic father, a closeted gay, and a flamboyant gay rights advocate, struggle with family issues, gay bashers, first sex, and conflicting feelings about each other.

Y FICTION Sanchez

Recommended for Grades 9+

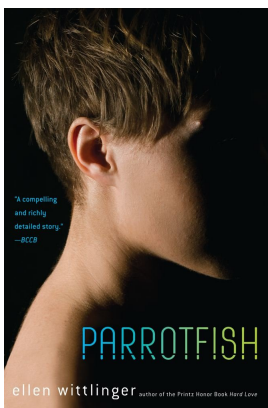


***Freaks and Revelations*** by Davida Wills Hurwin

Tells, in two voices, of events leading up to a 1980 incident in which fourteen-year-old Jason, a gay youth surviving on the streets as a prostitute, and seventeen-year-old Doug, a hate-filled punk rocker, have a fateful meeting in a Los Angeles alley.

Y FICTION Hurwin

Recommended for Grades 9+



***Parrotfish*** by Ellen Wittlinger

Grady, a transgendered high school student, yearns for acceptance by his classmates and family as he struggles to adjust to his new identity as a male.

Y FICTION Wittlinger

Recommended for Grades 9+

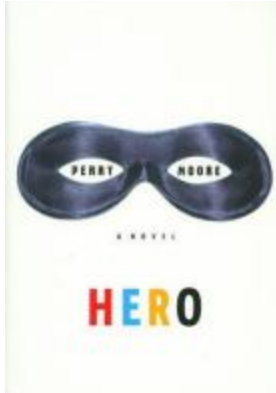


***Huntress*** by Malinda Lo

Seventeen-year-olds Kaede and Taisin are called to go on a dangerous and unprecedented journey to Tanlili, the city of the Fairy Queen, in an effort to restore the balance of nature in the human world.

Y FICTION Lo

Recommended for Grades 10+

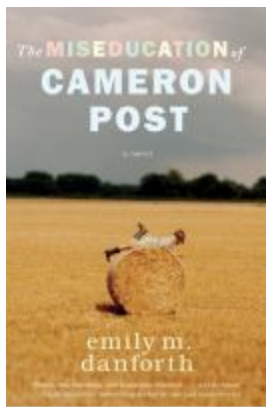


**Hero** by Perry Moore

Thom Creed, the gay son of a disowned superhero, finds that he, too, has special powers and is asked to join the very League that rejected his father, and it is there that Thom finds other misfits whom he can finally trust.

Y FICTION Moore

Recommended for Grades 9+

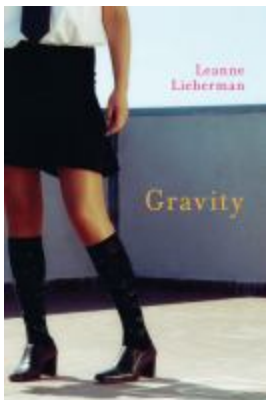


**The Miseducation of Cameron Post** by Emily Danforth

In the early 1990s, when gay teenager Cameron Post rebels against her conservative Montana ranch town and her family decides she needs to change her ways, she is sent to a gay conversion therapy center.

Y FICTION Danforth

Recommended for Grades 10+



**Gravity** by Leanne Lieberman

Afraid that there is no way to be both gay and Jewish, Ellie Gold, an orthodox Jewish teenager feels forced to either alter her sexuality or leave her Jewish community until her mother and sister offer alternative concepts of God that help Ellie find a place for herself.

Y FICTION Lieberman

Recommended for Grades 8-10

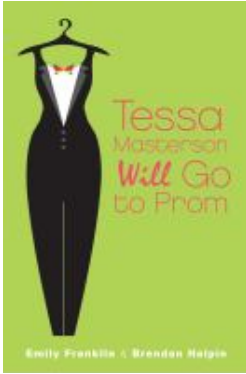


**Rage: A Love Story** by Julie Anne Peters

At the end of high school, Johanna finally begins dating the girl she has loved from afar, but Reeve is as much trouble as she claims to be as she and her twin brother damage Johanna's self-esteem, friendships, and already precarious relationship with her sister.

Y FICTION Peters

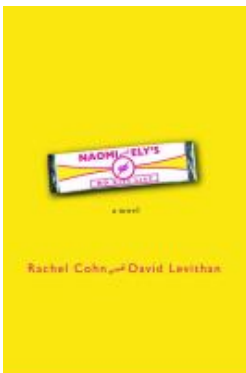
Recommended for Grades 9+



***Tessa Masteron Will Go to Prom*** by Emily Franklin and Brendan Halpin  
Feeling humiliated and confused when his best friend Tessa rejects his love and reveals a long-held secret, high school senior Luke must decide if he should stand by Tessa when she invites a female date to the prom, sparking a firestorm of controversy in their small Indiana town.

Y FICTION Franklin

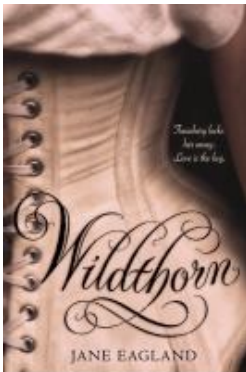
Recommended for Grades 8+



***Naomi and Ely's No Kiss List*** by Rachel Cohn and David Levithan  
Although they have been friends and neighbors all their lives, straight Naomi and gay Ely find their relationship severely strained during their freshman year at New York University.

Y FICTION Cohn

Recommended for Grades 9+

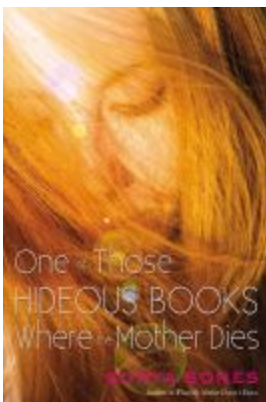


***Wildthorn*** by Jane Eagland

Seventeen-year-old Louisa Cosgrove is locked away in the Wildthorn Hall mental institution, where she is stripped of her identity and left to wonder who has tried to destroy her life.

Y FICTION Eagland

Recommended for Grades 9+



***One of Those Hideous Books Where the Mother Dies*** by Sonya Sones  
Fifteen-year-old Ruby Milliken leaves her best friend, her boyfriend, her aunt, and her mother's grave in Boston and reluctantly flies to Los Angeles to live with her father, a famous movie star who divorced her mother before Ruby was born.

Y FICTION Sones

Recommended for Grades 7-10



***Boy Meets Boy*** by David Levithan

This is the story of Paul, a sophomore at a high school like no other: The cheerleaders ride Harleys, the homecoming queen used to be a guy named Daryl (she now prefers Infinite Darlene and is also the star quarterback), and the gay-straight alliance was formed to help the straight kids learn how to dance. When Paul meets Noah, he thinks he's found the one his heart is made for. Until he blows it. The school bookie says the odds are 12-to-1 against him getting Noah back, but Paul's not giving up without playing his love really loud. His best friend Joni might be drifting away, his other best friend Tony might be dealing with ultra-religious parents, and his ex-boyfriend Kyle might not be going away anytime soon, but sometimes everything needs to fall apart before it can really fit together right. This is a happy-meaningful romantic comedy about finding love, losing love, and doing what it takes to get love back in a crazy-wonderful world.

Y FICTION Levithan

Recommended for Grades 8+



***Will Grayson, Will Grayson*** by John Green

When two teens, one gay and one straight, meet accidentally and discover that they share the same name, their lives become intertwined as one begins dating the other's best friend, who produces a play revealing his relationship with them both.

Y FICTION Green

Recommended for Grades 9+



***Witch Eyes*** by Scott Tracey

After a terrifying vision, Braden retreats to an old city divided by two feuding witch dynasties, where he learns that the head of one dynasty is his father and the guy for whom he is falling is the son of the head of the other dynasty.

Y FICTION Tracey

Recommended for Grades 9+





***The Perks of Being a Wallflower*** by Stephen Chbosky

A haunting coming of age novel told in a series of letters to an unknown correspondent reveals the life of Charlie, a freshman in high school who is a wallflower, shy and introspective, and very intelligent, it's a story of what it's like to grow up in high school, tracing a course through uncharted territory in the world of first dates, family dramas and new friends.

Y FICTION Chbosky

Recommended for Grades 9+



***I am J*** by Cris Beam

J, who feels like a boy mistakenly born as a girl, runs away from his best friend who has rejected him and the parents he thinks do not understand him when he finally decides that it is time to be who he really is.

Y FICTION Beam

Recommended for Grades 9+



***Am I Blue? Coming Out of the Silence*** edited by Marion Dane Bauer

A collection of short stories about homosexuality by such authors as Bruce Coville, M.E. Kerr, William Sleator, and Jane Yolen.

Y FICTION Am

Recommended for Grades 7+

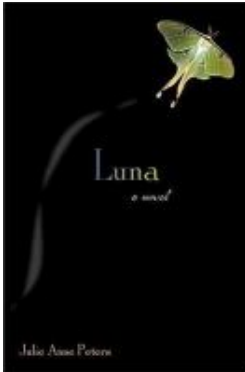


***Drama*** by Raina Telgemeier

Callie rides an emotional roller coaster while serving on the stage crew for a middle school production of Moon over Mississippi as various relationships start and end, and others never quite get going.

Y GRAPHIC NOV Telgemeier

Recommended for Grades 5-8

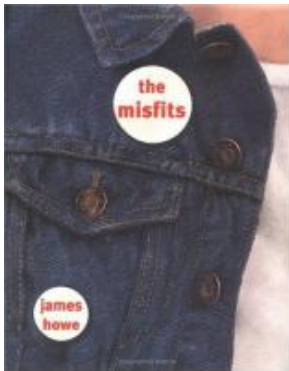


***Luna*** by Julie Anne Peters

Fifteen-year-old Regan's life, which has always revolved around keeping her older brother Liam's transsexuality a secret, changes when Liam decides to start the process of "transitioning" by first telling his family and friends that he is a girl who was born in a boy's body.

Y FICTION Peters

Recommended for Grades 9+

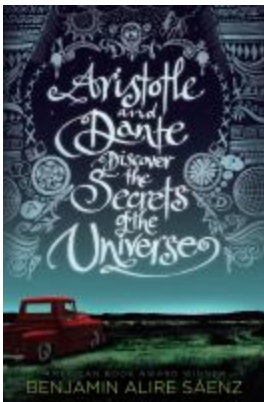


***The Misfits*** by James Howe

Four students who do not fit in at their small-town middle school decide to create a third party for the student council elections to represent all students who have ever been called names.

Y FICTION Howe

Recommended for Grades 4-8



***Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe*** by Benjamin Alire Sáenz

Fifteen-year-old Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.

Y FICTION Sáenz

Recommended for Grades 9+



***The Culling*** by Steven Dos Santos

In a futuristic world ruled by a totalitarian government called the Establishment, Lucian "Lucky" Spark and four other teenagers are recruited for the Trials. They must compete not only for survival but to save the lives of their Incentives, family members whose lives depend on how well they play the game.

Y FICTION Dos Santos

Recommended for Grades 8+

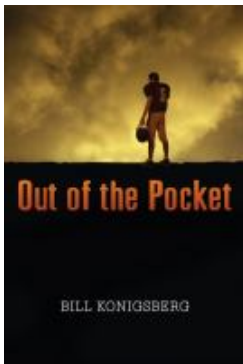


***Fan Art*** by Sarah Tregay

High school senior Jamie has a crush on his best friend and finds ways to share that news with the help of several friends.

Y FICTION Tregay

Recommended for Grades 9+

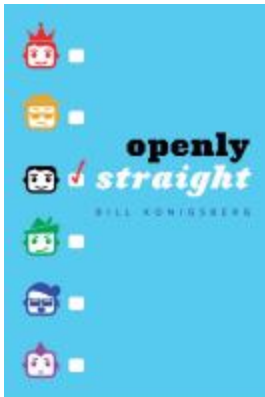


***Out of the Pocket*** by Bill Konigsburg

As Bobby Framingham, quarterback of his high school football team, finally acknowledges to himself that he is gay, events start to spin out of control when his sexual orientation is revealed in the student newspaper and then in the local press, and he learns that his father has cancer.

Y FICTION Konigsburg

Recommended for Grades 9+

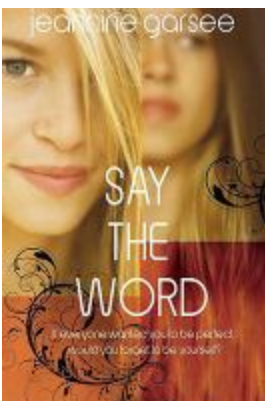


***Openly Straight*** by Bill Konigsburg

Tired of being known as "the gay kid", Rafe Goldberg decides to assume a new persona when he comes east and enters an elite Massachusetts prep school--but trying to deny his identity has both complications and unexpected consequences.

Y FICTION Konigsburg

Recommended for Grades 9+



***Say the Word*** by Jeaninne Garsee

After the death of her estranged mother, who left Ohio years ago to live with her lesbian partner in New York City, seventeen-year-old Shawna Gallagher's life is transformed by revelations about her family, her best friend, and herself.

Y FICTION Garsee

Recommended for Grades 8+