

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE AND MAPLEWOOD
PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
August 20, 2018**

FOR ACTION

RESOLUTION NUMBER **3765**

SUBJECT Book Adoption

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT The Board of Education adopts the following book:

SUBJECT	GRADE	TITLE/AUTHOR	PUBLISHER/DATE
English Language Arts	6	Home of the Brave, Katherine Applegate	Square Fish, December 2008

Background: This text will be a choice read in a number of units in grade 6; personal narrative, historical fiction and social justice. This text is a fiction story about a boy and his mother from Africa who survive hardships in Africa and are working to rebuild a life in America. This book is recommended as SOMSD works to offer more books in the classroom that represent the SOMSD community and its students.

SUBJECT	GRADE	TITLE/AUTHOR	PUBLISHER/DATE
English Language Arts	6	The Track Series: <i>Ghost</i> , Jason Reynolds	Simon & Schuster children's Publishing Division, August 2017

Background: This text will be a choice read in book clubs connected to Grade 6 English Language Arts; social justice, personal narrative, historical fiction. This series of texts explore a group of four friends from wildly different backgrounds, with personalities that are explosive when they clash... all chosen to compete on an elite track team. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other but to themselves. (1st in series)

SUBJECT	GRADE	TITLE/AUTHOR	PUBLISHER/DATE
English Language Arts	6	The Track Series: <i>Patina</i> , Jason Reynolds	Simon & Schuster children's Publishing Division, August 2017

Background: This text will be a choice read in book clubs connected to Grade 6 English Language Arts, social justice, personal narrative, historical fiction. This series of texts explore a group of four friends from wildly different backgrounds, with personalities that are explosive when they clash... all chosen to compete on an elite track team. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other but to themselves. (2nd in series)

SUBJECT	GRADE	TITLE/AUTHOR	PUBLISHER/DATE
English Language Arts	6	The Track Series: <i>Sunny</i> . Jason Reynolds	Simon & Schuster children's Publishing Division, April 2018

Background: This text will be a choice read in book clubs connected to Grade 6 English Language Arts; social justice, personal narrative, historical fiction. This series of texts explore a group of four friends from wildly different backgrounds, with personalities that are explosive when they clash... all chosen to compete on an elite track team. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other but to themselves. (3rd in series)

SUBJECT	GRADE	TITLE/AUTHOR	PUBLISHER/DATE
English Language Arts	6	The Mighty Miss Malone, Christopher Paul Curtis	Yearling: reprint edition, December 2013
Background: This text will be a choice read in book clubs in Grade 6; personal narrative, historical fiction and social justice. This could also be used as an interdisciplinary text with grade 6 social studies. It is heart-wrenching and suspenseful novel about an unforgettable struggle to survive the Great Depression.			

SUBJECT	GRADE	TITLE/AUTHOR	PUBLISHER/DATE
English Language Arts	6	Akata Witch, Nnedi Okorafor	Speak; reprint edition, Penguin Random House LLC, July 2017
Background: This text will be a choice read in book clubs in Grade 6. Sunny Nwazue lives in Nigeria, but she was born in New York City. Her features are West African, but she's albino. She's a terrific athlete, but can't go out into the sun to play soccer. There seems to be no place where she fits in. This book is recommended as SOMSD works to offer more books in the classroom that represent the SOMSD community and its students.			

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Math	8	Math in Focus Course 3A (Middle School), Shin-Tze Yap How-Kian Yow	Marshall Cavendish Education, 2018
Background: The text is aligned with the NJSLs for Mathematics. The text targets concepts preceding Algebra 1. It is the same series as K-5 and Grade 7 Math in Focus used in district. Math in Focus is strong in foundational concepts and mathematical reasoning. The series provides ample resources for differentiation, including English Language Learners and small group reinforcement.			

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Math	8	Math in Focus Course 3B (Middle School), Shin-Tze Yap How-Kian Yow	Marshall Cavendish Education, 2018
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