

Announcing...

The Fifth Annual Hamilcott Picture Book Awards

at

Hamilton Elementary School



Kindergarten * First Grade * Second Grade

Third Grade * Fourth Grade * Fifth Grade

The Caldecott Medal is awarded each year to the artist of the most distinguished American picture book for children. This year at Hamilton Elementary School, students will once again have an opportunity to participate in our own **Hamilcott Awards**.

The Hamilcott Medal will be awarded at each grade level for the most distinguished picture book. Up to two additional books at each grade level will be chosen to receive the Hamilcott Honor Award.

Criteria for Entry:

- **Each book should be a picture book.** The award is based on the illustrations and other components, such as the story elements.
- **Authenticity: the student who submits the entry should create the artwork and story independently.** Parents are encouraged to be supportive of the child's effort, but not to be active participants in the creation of the book. All work must be done AT HOME (not at school).
- **Artistic technique:** collage, watercolor, torn paper, colored pencil, pen and ink, markers, and crayon are all acceptable. Clip art will not accepted!
- **Artistic interpretation of the story, theme, or concept:** pictures should match the story.
- **Effective representation of the plot, theme, character, setting, mood, or information through the text.**
- **Audience consideration:** story is appropriate to a child audience.
- **No more than two students may work on one book.**
- **Only one book entry per student.**
- **Award winners announced:** at an all school assembly in mid May. Winning books will be displayed in the media center through June 1st.
- **Your name must be on the front and your grade/teacher's name on the back!**

All entries should be submitted to Mrs. Buxton's mailbox in the office by

Friday, May 3, 2019