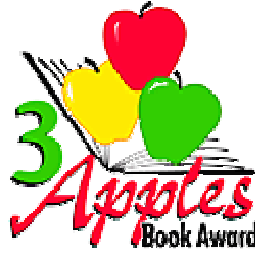


The 3 Apples Book Award



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The Young Readers of New York State have spoken. They have nominated the following books for the sixth annual 3 Apples Book Award to be announced this spring:

The Cat in the Hat by Dr. Seuss
Clifford's First Halloween by Norman Bridwell
Clifford the Big Red Dog: the Stormy Day Rescue by Kimberly Weinberger
Fancy Nancy by Jane O'Connor
The Hallo-wiener by Dav Pilkey
Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion
Hi! Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold
I Spy Fly Guy! by Tedd Arnold
M.C. Turtle and the Hip Hop Hare by David Vozar
No, David! by David Shannon
Pinkalicious by Victoria Kann and Elizabeth Kann
Pugdog by Andrea U'Ren
The Shelf Elf by Jackie Mims Hopkins
Star Wars: the Clone Wars by Tracy West
The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

In order to vote in April 2012 for the best of these fifteen choices and the winner of **The Young Readers 3 Apples Book Award**, students in grades Pre K-2 across New York State must read or listen to at least three of the nominated books and then vote at their school or public library.

The 3 Apples Book Award Committee would like to thank all of the school and public librarians who participated in the nomination process.

For further information, please visit the 3 Apples Book Award website:
<http://www.3applesbookaward.org/>

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