Best of the Best 2012 Teen Novels for High School Students

A Select List of Brown County Library books for 9th-12th graders

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Amelia Anne is Dead and Gone by Kat Rosenfield
Ask the Passengers by A. S. King
Assassin’s Curse by Cassandra Rose Clarke
Black Boy/White School by Brian F. Walker
Burning Blue by Paul Griffin
Call the Shots by Don Calame
Carnival of Souls by Melissa Marr
Mallory has been raised to protect herself from the daimons that will eventually come for her. Meanwhile Aya and Kaleb take part in a deadly contest to gain freedom and power in the world of the daimons, a world to which Mallory must someday return. 1st in a new series by bestselling author Melissa Marr.

Chopsticks by Jessica Anthony & Rodrigo Corral
In a compelling love story told in photographs and drawings, Glory, a brilliant piano prodigy, is drawn to Frank, an artistic new boy, and the farther she falls, the deeper she spirals into madness until the only song she is able to play is "Chopsticks."

Cinder by Marissa Meyer
Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein
Confusion of Princes by Garth Nix
The Diviners by Libba Bray
The Drowned Cities by Paolo Bacigalupi

Every Day by David Levithan
Every morning A wakes in a different person's body, in a different person’s life, learning over the years to never get too attached, until he wakes up in the body of Justin and falls in love with Justin's girlfriend, Rhiannon, and all the rules change.

The Fault in Our Stars by John Green
For Darkness Shows the Stars by Diane Peterfreund
Girl Meets Boy: Because There are Two Sides to Every Story edited by Kelly Milner Halls
Grave Mercy by Robin LaFevers
I Hunt Killers by Barry Lyga
The Infects by Sean Beaudoin
Insignia by S. J. Kincaid
Keeping the Castle by Patrice Kindl
17 year old Althea has found that her family’s fate rests on her, and the profitable marriage she must make to save them for the poor house and prevent the loss of the beloved family home. Luckily, a handsome and wealthy young man has just moved in to the next estate over, and Althea just knows she can capture his heart. In the style of Jane Austen, “Keeping the Castle” is a light, fizzy romance that readers old and young will enjoy.

Kill Switch by Chris Lynch

Lies, Knives, and Girls in Red Dresses by Ron Koertge
Koertge retells 23 fairy tales in free verse; full of satirical humor and the dark edge of the originals, these aren’t the stories Disney told you.

The Little Woods by McCormick Templeman

The List by Siobhan Vivan

Long Lankin by Lindsey Barraclough
"Beware of Long Lankin that lives in the moss," says the old ballad. Long Lankin has long been the ghost story surrounding the small village of Byers Guerdon, even if his name is long forgotten. When Cora and Mimi are sent to stay with their aunt, their presence awakens the old spirit, and it is up to Cora to figure out how to stop him from taking Mimi, as he’s taken so many other children over the years. A wonderfully creepy debut.

Monument 14 by Emmy Laybourne

October Mourning by Lesléa Newman

Out of Reach by Carrie Arcos

Raven Boys by Maggie Stiefvater

Seraphina by Rachel Hartman
In a world where dragons and humans coexist in an uneasy truce and dragons can assume human form, Seraphina, whose mother died giving birth to her, grapples with her own identity amid magical secrets and royal scandals, while she struggles to accept and develop her extraordinary musical talents.

Somebody, Please Tell Me Who I Am by Harry Mazer & Peter Lerangis

Under the Never Sky by Veronica Rossi

Vessel by Sarah Beth Durst

What’s Left of Me by Kat Zhang

Zoe Letting Go by Nora Price
Zoe isn’t sure why her mother has left her at a strange institution in the woods. Follow along with her journal entries and her letters to her best friend as she tries to piece together the past.

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