Leadership Requires Engagement
Leaders develop and dedicate their talents to promote to common good. This is where they choose to spend their time and effort. Leadership requires positive civic engagement. It is making sure that the communities I am part of are better because I am in them. And that I am better because of the communities I choose to be in.

Middle School

**Cycle II 2015-2016**

**The Lightning Thief**
Rick Riordan
After learning that he is the son of a mortal woman and Poseidon, god of the sea, twelve-year-old Percy is sent to a summer camp for demigods like himself, and joins his new friends on a quest to prevent a war between the gods.

**The Girl Who Owned a City**
O.T. Nelson
When a plague sweeps over the earth, killing everyone except children under twelve, ten-year-old Lisa organizes a group to rebuild a new way of life.

**The Westing Game**
Ellen Raskin
A bizarre chain of events begins when sixteen unlikely people gather for the reading of Samuel W. Westing’s will. And though no one knows why the eccentric, game-loving millionaire has chosen a virtual stranger—and a possible murderer—to inherit his vast fortune, one thing’s for sure: Sam Westing may be dead…but that won’t stop him from playing one last game!

High School

**Cycle IV 2015-2016**

**Death Be Not Proud**
John Gunther
Johnny Gunther was only seventeen years old when he died of a brain tumor. During the months of his illness, everyone near him was unforgettably impressed by his level-headed courage, his wit and quiet friendliness, and, above all, his unflagging patience through times of despair. This deeply moving book is a father’s memoir of a brave, intelligent, and spirited boy.

**The Hunger Games**
Suzanne Collins
In the ruins of a place once known as North America lies the nation of Panem, a shining Capitol surrounded by twelve outlying districts. Long ago, the districts waged war on the Capitol and were defeated. As part of the terms of surrender, each district agreed to send one boy and one girl to appear in “The Hunger Games,” a fight to the death on live TV. Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen regards it as a death sentence when she must represent her district in the Games. The terrain, the rules, and level of audience participation may change, but one thing is constant: kill or be killed.

**Dead Man Walking**
Helen Prejean
In 1982, Sister Helen Prejean became the spiritual advisor to Patrick Sonnier, the convicted killer of two teenagers who was sentenced to die in the electric chair of Louisiana’s Angola State Prison. In the months before Sonnier’s death, the Roman Catholic nun came to know a man who was as terrified as he had once been terrifying. She also came to know the families of the victims and the men whose job it was to execute.