

2019 Sequoyah Book Awards



Lessons & Activities

Celebrating 60 Years of the Sequoyah Book Awards!

Remembering the Past, Looking To the Future

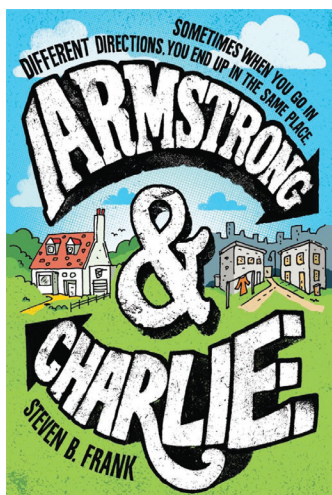
The first Sequoyah Children's Book Award was given in April 1959 at Northwestern Oklahoma State College in Alva, making this the third oldest youth-choice literary award in the nation. To celebrate the 60th birthday of the award, this year's lesson plans will reflect the theme of "Remembering the Past, Looking to the Future" with activities that tie to history and/or STEAM.

Day Two: Activity Ideas for Intermediate Students

Reading a book. Talking about a book. Writing about a book. Acting out a scene from a book. Using a book to inspire creative projects. The middle school grades are ripe for taking reading to the next level by using books as springboards to other means of expression. Reading Rockets, a resource developed by the Virginia public television station WETA, presents *103 Things to Do Before, During, or After Reading*. It's a fun cornucopia of ideas for teachers and students, and you can find it at: <https://tinyurl.com/ReadingRockets103>

Hey, Teachers! School Librarians!

Get 30 FREE Sequoyah Book Award posters with all of the 2019 titles! If you haven't registered for Newspapers in Education, do it now at <https://nieonline.com/theoklahoman/order.cfm>. Register by September 21 and if your school is outside The Oklahoman's delivery area then email BHuntsman@oklahoman.com to request your 30 free posters.



Visit <https://tinyurl.com/SequoyahWeek2018> to download a lesson plan based on *Armstrong & Charlie* by Steven B. Frank. Set in Los Angeles in the 1970s, during the pilot year of the L.A. school system's integration program, Frank's book explores the rivalry and friendship between two sixth-grade boys from opposite worlds. From dealing with playground politics to racial discrimination, the boys experience a year of discovery about themselves and about the world.

Visit the Oklahoma Library Association's website (oklibs.org) to find out more about the Sequoyah Book Awards and to download the masterlist of titles and promotional materials. Sequoyah Book Week continues tomorrow!

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