The Abraham Lincoln Illinois High School Book Award

The Abraham Lincoln Award is awarded annually to the book voted as most outstanding by participating high school students in Illinois.

To participate:
1. Write your name and ID number below.
2. Circle the titles of the books you have read.
3. Turn it in to the library!

You are eligible to vote once you have read four or more books from the list.

Name__________________________________

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Previous years’ winners:
2013  Thirteen Reasons Why
2012  The Maze Runner
2011  The Hunger Games
2010  City of Bones
2009  Crank
2008  Twilight
2007  Uglies
2006  My Sister's Keeper
2005  A Child Called It

The Pregnancy Project
Gaby Rodriguez
Gaby Rodriguez, whose mother and older sister both became pregnant as teenagers, explains what she learned from faking a pregnancy as a high school senior in order to find out how people would treat her.

Purple Heart
Patricia McCormick
While recuperating in a Baghdad hospital from a traumatic brain injury sustained during the Iraq War, eighteen-year-old soldier Matt Duffy struggles to recall what happened to him and how it relates to his ten-year-old friend, Ali.

Ready Player One
Ernest Cline
In the year 2044, Wade Watts chooses to escape reality and spends his waking hours in the virtual world of the OASIS, but when Wade stumbles upon the fiendish puzzles set up by OASIS creator James Halliday he finds he must compete with thousands of others— including those willing to commit murder—in order to claim a prize of massive fortune.

Room
Emma Donoghue
Five-year-old Jack has spent his life living in an eleven-by-eleven foot space his mother calls Room and while Jack uses his imagination to create wondrous fantasies to entertain himself, his mother dreads the day her son begins to question why they must remain in Room and tries to find a way to escape.

Shadow and Bone
Leigh Bardugo
Surrounded by enemies, the once-great nation of Ravka has been torn in two by the Shadow Fold, a swath of near impenetrable darkness crawling with monsters who feast on human flesh. Now its fate may rest on the shoulders of one refugee, Alina Starkov.

Stupid Fast
Geoff Herbach
Just before his sixteenth birthday, Felton Reinstein has a sudden growth spurt that turns him from a small, jumpy, picked-on boy with the nickname of “Squirrel Nut” to a powerful athlete, leading to new friends, his first love, and the courage to confront his family's past and current problems.

Wintergirls
Laurie Halse Anderson
Eighteen-year-old Lia comes to terms with her best friend's death from anorexia as she struggles with the same disorder.

The "Student's Choice" Award
Across the Universe  
*Beth Revis*

Amy, has been cryogenically frozen and placed onboard a spaceship which was supposed to land on a distant planet 300 years in the future. It is unplugged fifty years too early and she is stuck inside an enclosed world ruled by a tyrannical leader and his rebellious teenage heir. She is unsure who to trust and why someone is trying to kill her.

Ashes  
*Ilsa J. Bick*

An electromagnetic pulse flashes across the sky, destroying every electronic device and killing billions. Alex hiked into the woods to say good-bye to her dead parents and her personal demons. She meets up with Tom—a young soldier—and Ellie. For those who are spared, it’s now a question of who can be trusted and who is no longer human.

Cinder  
*Marissa Meyer*

Humans and androids crowd the streets. A deadly plague ravages the population. The Earth’s fate hinges on one girl. Cinder is a cyborg with a mysterious past, reviled by her stepmother and stepsisters. When her life is intertwined with a handsome Prince, she finds herself at the center of an intergalactic struggle and a forbidden attraction.

Daughter of Smoke and Bone  
*Laini Taylor*

In the tangled lanes of Prague, Karou a young art student carries a sketch book of hideous monsters, the chimaerae who form the only family she has ever known, without knowing she is about to be caught up in a brutal otherworldly war.

Divergent  
*Veronica Roth*

In a future Chicago, Beatrice Prior must choose among five predetermined factions to define her identity for the rest of her life, a decision made more difficult when she discovers that she is an anomaly who does not fit into any one group, and that the society she lives in is not perfect after all.

Everybody Sees the Ants  
*A.S. King*

Lucky Linderman didn’t ask for his life. He didn’t ask his grandfather not to come home from the Vietnam War, or a father who never got over it. He didn’t ask for a mother who keeps pretending their dysfunctional family is fine. And he didn’t ask to be the target of Nader McMillan’s relentless bullying. But Lucky has a secret that helps him wade through the mundane torture of his life.

Every Day  
*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.

The Fault in Our Stars  
*John Green*

Sixteen year old Hazel, who has cancer, meets Augustus at a kids-with-cancer support group and as they fall in love they both wonder how they will be remembered.

Five Flavors of Dumb  
*Antony John*

Eighteen-year-old Piper becomes the manager for her classmates’ popular rock band, called Dumb, giving her the chance to prove her capabilities to her parents and others, if only she can get the band members to get along.

Hate List  
*Jennifer Brown*

Sixteen-year-old Valerie, whose boyfriend Nick committed a school shooting at the end of their junior year, struggles to cope with integrating herself back into high school life, unsure herself whether she was a hero or a villain.

How to Save a Life  
*Sara Zarr*

Told from their own viewpoints, seventeen-year-old Jill, in grief over the loss of her father, and Mandy, nearly nineteen, are thrown together when Jill’s mother agrees to adopt Mandy’s unborn child but nothing turns out as they had anticipated.

I Hunt Killers  
*Barry Lyga*

Jazz is a likable teenager. A charmer, some might say. But he’s also the son of the world’s most infamous serial killer. Jazz has witnessed crime scenes the way cops wish they could—from the criminals’ point of view. But Jazz has a secret—could he be more like his father than anyone knows?

Legend  
*Marie Lu*

In a dark future, when North America has split into two warring nations, fifteen-year-olds Day, a famous criminal, and prodigy June, the brilliant soldier hired to capture him, discover that they have a common enemy.

The Night Circus  
*Erin Morgenstern*

A circus features two illusionists, Celia and Marco, who are unknowingly competing in a game to which they have been irrevocably bound by their mercurial masters, and as the two fall deeply and passionately in love with each other, their masters intervene with dangerous consequences.