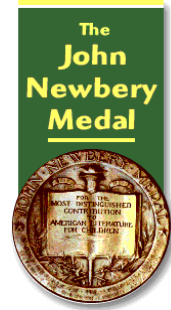




Caldecott & Newbery Reader Challenge
Hulstrom Options School
Library Media Center



The Caldecott and Newbery Reader Challenge offers the opportunity to students, staff, and parents to earn a personal medal by reading books which have been awarded the **Caldecott** or **Newbery** Medal.

The Caldecott Challenge

Each year the Caldecott Medal is awarded to one **illustrator** of an outstanding American children’s book published in the previous year. You can begin the Caldecott Challenge after you and your parent sign a contract stating your intent to begin and finish this long-term reading goal. You have 3 years to complete the goal. After you have completed the reading challenge, you will be awarded a medal for reading all the Caldecott winners. Your name will also be engraved on a plaque that hangs in the library.

The Newbery Challenge

The Newbery Medal is awarded annually to an American author whose book makes an outstanding contribution to children’s **literature**. You may read **25 books** to receive a **silver medal**; if you read **40 books** or more you will receive a **gold medal**. Readers may substitute up to 5 of the silver honor titles in the total books read. After you have completed the reading challenge, you will be awarded a medal for reading the number of Newbery books you contracted for. Your name will also be engraved on a plaque that hangs in the library.

Contracts and Response Forms

A student and parent jointly sign the following contract to determine the reading goal and award. This contract must be returned to Mrs. Israelsen to register for the challenge. After reading a book, a short response is completed by the student and signed by the parent. Be sure you answer the question(s) in complete sentences, making sure to use correct punctuation and spelling. Return each response as you complete it to the library.

Congratulations for embarking on this reading challenge!!

**Please cut off and return the following contract to Mrs. Israelsen
before you start the challenge.**

Caldecott/Newbery Challenge Intent Contract

Check just one challenge:

- Caldecott Challenge (all Caldecott books)
- Newbery Silver Challenge (25 Newbery books)
- Newbery Gold Challenge (40 or more Newbery books)

I, _____, fully intend to complete the reading challenge
(student name)

program I have checked above. _____
(parent signature)

Date: _____