Medina, Meg. **MERCI SUÁREZ CHANGES GEARS**
Merci navigates the challenges of being a scholarship kid at a posh South Florida private school and the expectations of her Cuban-American family.

Riordan, Rick. **THE SWORD OF SUMMER (MAGNUS CHASE #1)** *
Viking myths come true when homeless kid Magnus Chase finds out he is the son of a Norse god.

Sheinkin, Steve. **UNDEFEATED: JIM THORPE AND THE CARLISLE INDIANS FOOTBALL TEAM**
The true story about the Carlisle Indians football team who, against all odds, became one of the best teams in football history.

Slater, Dashka. **THE 57 BUS**
The true story of two teens whose lives are forever changed after a terrible incident on the bus they both ride.

Strange, Lucy. **THE SECRET OF NIGHTINGALE WOOD**
Left alone after her mother takes ill and her father travels abroad, Hen finds hope and magic in the woods surrounding their new house.

Sundquist, Josh. **LOVE AND FIRST SIGHT**
A blind teen faces many ups and downs after transferring to a conventional high school.

Vail, Rachel. **WELL, THAT WAS AWKWARD**
Middle schoolers navigate the world of crushes, including one forgoing her own crush to help her best friend.

Walden, Tillie. **SPINNING**
Graphic novel that follows the author’s early years as a figure skater coming to terms with her sexuality.

Wang, Jen. **THE PRINCE AND THE DRESSMAKER**
Prince Sebastian has a secret; at night he takes Paris by storm as Lady Crystallia!

West, Kasie. **LOVE, LIFE, AND THE LIST**
Abby’s summer plans take a hit when she is rejected by the art show she entered and her best friend Cooper, whom she has feelings for.

Yeh, Kat. **THE WAY TO BEA**
When recently friendless Bea discovers a reply to a Haiku she wrote, in invisible ink, she wonders where it came from.

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Books for Grades 6-8

Aldridge, Ethan M. **ESTRANGED**
Two boys, one human and one fairy, were switched as babies and now come together to fight evil in the land of the faye.

Biles, Simone. **COURAGE TO SOAR**
Olympic gold medal gymnast Simone Biles shares her personal story.

Buxbaum, Julie. **WHAT TO SAY NEXT**
An unlikely pair of teens become friends which leads to one helping the other discover the mystery behind her father’s death.

Chase, Paula. **SO DONE**
Tia and Mila have been best friends since infancy, but secrets threaten to tear them apart.

Connor, Leslie. **ALL RISE FOR THE HONORABLE PERRY T. COOK**
Perry longs to be reunited with his mother after the new district attorney declares he can no longer live with her in the prison where she bore and raised him.

D.G., Gigi. **CUCUMBER QUEST: THE DOUGHNUT KINGDOM** *
When the world is threatened by a great evil, Cucumber is selected as the hero to save them all, if only he had the motivation.

Gephart, Donna. **LILY AND DUNKIN**
Lily and Dunkin are both struggling to live “normal” lives until they befriend each other.

Gratz, Alan. **GRENADE**
Two teen boys find themselves fighting on opposite sides during World War II.

Greenwald, Tommy. **GAME CHANGER**
When an incoming freshman winds up in a coma after an accident at football camp, drama ensues.

Gudsnuk, Kristen. **MAKING FRIENDS**
A lonely sixth grader uses a magic journal to create a new best friend.

Hale, Nathan. **LAFAYETTE!: A REVOLUTIONARY WAR TALE** *
The true to life tale of the Marquis de Lafayette and his leadership during the Revolutionary War told by a fictional Nathan Hale.

Hennessey, M.G. **THE OTHER BOY**
A young boy’s transgender secret is threatened by the school bully.

Holland, Sara. **EVERLESS** *
In a land where time is currency, Jules returns to her childhood estate to save her father and unearth her past.

Horowitz, Anthony. **NEVER SAY DIE** *
Teenage secret agent Alex Rider embarks on his most dangerous mission yet to bring down a terrorist organization.

Jennings, Jazz. **BEING JAZZ: MY LIFE AS A (TRANSGENDER) TEEN**
Follow Jazz’s journey through her public appearances as she grows up and transitions.

Keating, Lucy. **LITERALLY**
Can Annabelle be allowed to write her own story or is she destined to be the main character in this author’s book in progress?

Kennedy, Katie. **WHAT GOES UP**
NASA is training teens to be ambassadors from Earth to other planets, but when aliens arrive first they have to put their skills to the test to save Earth.

King, Wesley. **ODC DANIEL**
Daniel tries desperately to hide his OCD until another student with a mental illness notices him and asks for his help.

Lee, Stacey. **OUTRUN THE MOON**
Mercy bribes her way into a prestigious school, but a natural disaster may ruin her chances at a new life.

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