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Oregon Battle of the Books

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As this issue of Interchange/OLAQ is published, regional Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB) competitions around the state are wrapping up and crowning their representatives to the state competition, which is scheduled for April 12th in Salem. This year, 441 schools registered from around the state! We expect a great turnout of both familiar faces and newcomers to the competition.

At press time, the following titles had been chosen for the 2013–14 Oregon Battle of the Books program. We appreciate the nominations and feedback that were submitted by so many of you. The list will be finalized in early May. If you haven’t participated before, consider getting teams together to read these fantastic books next year. It could even be a great time to start that collaboration between public and school libraries!

If you would like to comment on the remaining titles under consideration, please visit the OBOB wiki Title section.

Announcing the partial 2014–2015 OBOB list:

3–5 Division

- The Fantastic Secret of Owen Jester by Barbara O’Connor, 2010
- Gaby, Lost and Found by Angela Cervantes, 2013
- The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo, 2006
- Rules by Cynthia Lord, 2006
- The One and Only Ivan by Katherine Applegate, 2012
- Sasquatch by Roland Smith, 1998
- A Nest for Celeste by Henry Cole, 2010

6–8 Division

- Code Talker by Joseph Bruchac, 2006
- The False Prince by Jennifer Nielsen, 2012
- Freak the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick, 1993
- Into The Wild (Warriors) by Erin Hunter, 2003
- The Lions of Little Rock by Kristin Levine, 2012
- Ungifted by Gordon Korman, 2012
- Wonder by R.J. Palacio, 2012

9–12 Division

- Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz, 2012
- Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein, 2012
- Mr. Penumbra’s 24-hour Bookstore by Robin Sloan, 2012
- Please Ignore Vera Dietz by A.S. King, 2010
- Ready Player One by Ernest Cline, 2011