Golden Sower Awards
Whether readers are seeking information or reading for pleasure, quality literature presented through the Nebraska Golden Sower Award program will enrich the lives of Nebraska's children and sow seeds of the future.

Golden Sower Award Nominees 2017-2018
Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)
DB 84472 Booked by Kwame Alexander
DB 82285 Code of Honor by Alan Gratz
DB 82822 Took: A Ghost Story by Mary Downing Hahn
DB 87377 House Arrest by K.A. Holt
DB 82286 A Night Divided by Jennifer A. Nielsen
DB 82008 I Am Princess X by Cherie Priest
DB 84135 Orbiting Jupiter by Gary D. Schmidt

Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)
DB 87363 Book Scavenger: Book Scavenger, Book 1 by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman
DB 82133 A Handful of Stars by Cynthia Lord
DB 87369 The Seventh Most Important Thing by Shelley Pearsall
DB 82092 Fuzzy Mud by Louis Sachar

Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)
BR 21053/DB 85273 Wolfie the Bunny by Ame Dyckman

Golden Sower Award Nominees 2016-2017
Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)
DB 80632 Famous Last Words by Katie Alender – Horror Fiction
DB 79106 Torn Away by Jennifer Brown – Realistic Fiction
DB 78852 Grandmaster by David Klass – Realistic Fiction
DB 78707 The Winner’s Curse: The Winner’s Trilogy, Book 1 by Marie Rutkoski – High Fantasy

Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)
DB 82165 Stella by Starlight by Sharon M. Draper – Historical Fiction
DB 79309 Absolutely Almost by Lisa Graff – Realistic Fiction
DB 79655 The Fourteenth Goldfish by Jennifer L. Holm – Science Fiction
DB 80497 Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullalay Hunt – Realistic Fiction
DB 79541 Dash by Kirby Larson – Historical Fiction/Animal Fiction

Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)
BR 21040 Elizabeth, Queen of the Seas by Lynne Cox (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
BR 21020 Gaston by Kelly DiPucchio (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
BR 21045 Blizzard by John Rocco (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
BR 21066 Emmanuel’s Dream: The True Story of Emmanuel Ofosu Yeboah by Laurie Ann Thompson (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
DB 82668 Winnie: The True Story of the Bear Who Inspired Winnie-the-Pooh by Sally M. Walker

Golden Sower Award Winners 2016-2017
Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)
DB 81314 Red Queen: The Red Queen Trilogy, Book 1 by Victoria Aveyard – High Fantasy

Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)
DB 77918 Escape from Mr. Lemoncello’s Library: Mr. Lemoncello’s Library, Book 1 by Chris Grabenstein – *Adventure Fiction*

DB 80472 The War That Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley – *Historical Fiction/WWII Fiction*  
*Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)*

BR 21007 The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt (*This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille*)

BR 21020 Gaston by Kelly DiPucchio (*This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille*)

**Golden Sower Award Nominees 2015-2016**

**Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)**

DB 76777 The Testing: The Testing Trilogy, Book 1 by Joelle Charbonneau (Also available, DB 78427 Independent Study: The Testing Trilogy, Book 2 and DB 79748 Graduation Day: The Testing Trilogy, Book 3) – *Science Fiction*

DB 76877 Far Far Away by Tom McNeal – *Fantasy/Ghost Story/Fairy Tale Elements*

DB 77917 Counting by 7s by Holly Goldberg Sloan – *Realistic Fiction*

DB 77940 Golden Boy by Tara Sullivan – *Adventure Fiction*

**Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)**

DB 77918 Escape from Mr. Lemoncello’s Library by Chris Grabenstein – *Adventure Fiction*

DB 78816 A Snicker of Magic by Natalie Lloyd – *Low Fantasy*

DB 78517 Half a Chance by Cynthia Lord – *Realistic Fiction*

DB 76760 The Girl from Felony Bay by J.E. Thompson – *Mystery*

**Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)**

BR 21007 The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt (*This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille*)

BR 21025 Sophie’s Squash by Pat Zietlow Miller (*This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille*)

BR 20044 Super Hair-O and the Barber of Doom by John Rocco (*This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille*)

**Golden Sower Award Winners 2014-2015**

**Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)**

DB 78371 The False Prince: The Ascendence Trilogy, Book 1 by Jennifer A. Nielsen (Also available, DB 78372 The Runaway King: The Ascendence Trilogy, Book 2 and DB 78373 The Shadow Throne: The Ascendence Trilogy, Book 3) – *High Fantasy*

**Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)**

BR 20028 Creepy Carrots! by Aaron Reynolds (*This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille*)

**Golden Sower Award Nominees 2014-2015**

**Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)**

DB 75631 Cinder: The Lunar Chronicles, Book 1 by Marissa Meyer (Also available, DB 76016 Scarlet: The Lunar Chronicles, Book 2 and DB 78442 Cress: The Lunar Chronicles, Book 3) – *Science Fiction/Fairy Tale/Romance/Golden Sower Honor Book*

DB 75095 Starters: Starters and Enders, Book 1 by Lissa Price (Also available, DB 78967 Enders: Starters and Enders, Book 2) – *Science Fiction*

DB 75727 Ungifted by Gordon Korman – *Realistic Fiction/School Story*

**Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)**

DB 78030 Three Times Lucky: A Tupelo Landing Mystery, Book 1 by Sheila Turnage (Also available, DB 78168 The Ghosts of Tupelo Landing: A Tupelo Landing Mystery, Book 2) – *Mystery*

DB 75926 Tuesdays at the Castle: Castle Glower, Book 1 by Jessica Day George (Also available, DB 76752 Wednesdays in the Tower: Castle Glower, Book 2) – *Fairy Tale/High Fantasy*
DB 74288 The Underdogs by Mike Lupica – Sports Fiction/Football
Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)
BR 20025 Each Kindness by Jacqueline Woodson (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)

Golden Sower Award Winners 2013-2014
Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)
DB 74825 Legend: Legend, Book 1 by Marie Lu (Also available DB 76355 Prodigy: Legend, Book 2 and DB 77806 Champion: Legend, Book 3) – Science Fiction/Fantasy
Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)
DB 74228 Wonder by R.J. Palacio – Realistic Fiction/School Story/Disabled Fiction
Golden Sower Award Nominees 2013-2014
Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)
DB 75373 Jefferson’s Sons by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley – Historical Fiction
DB 73525 Matched: The Matched Trilogy, Book 1 by Ally Condie (Also try the other two books in the Matched Trilogy, DB 74034 and DB 76047) – Science Fiction/Fantasy/Romance
DB 71870 Payback Time by Carl Deuker – Realistic Fiction/Sports Fiction
DB 71820 Dark Life: Dark Life, Book 1 by Kat Falls (Also try the second installment of the series, DB 74446) – Science Fiction/Fantasy
DB 74452 Between Shades of Grey by Ruta Sepetys – Historical Fiction
DB 70791 After Ever After: A Jeffrey Alper Novel, Book 2 by Jordan Sonnenblick – Realistic Fiction/Medical Story
Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)
DB 75432 The Clockwork Three by Matthew Kirby – Science Fiction/Fantasy/Steampunk
DB 74416 Pie by Sarah Weeks – Food Mystery
DB 74157 Wonderstruck by Brian Selznick – Historical Fiction/Disabled Fiction
Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)
DB 01192 Have You Seen Mary? By Jeff Kurrus – Nebraska Writers/ Nature Story/Animal Story
DB 71660 Arbor Day Square by Kathryn O. Galbraith – Nebraska Pioneer Fiction/Nature Story

Golden Sower Award Winners - Past Years
Primary (Kindergarten-Grade 3)
2013 – BR 19028 Nubs: The True Story of a Mutt, a Marine, and a Miracle by Brian Dennis, Kirby Larson and Mary Nethery (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
1997 – BR 09934 John Henry by Julius Lester (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
1994 – BR 11031 The Rough-Face Girl by Rafe Martin (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
1992 – BR 08909 The Talking Eggs: A Folktale from the American South by Robert D. San Souci (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
1991 – BR 08904 Tacky the Penguin by Helen Lester (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
1983 – NBR 00320 Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs by Judith Barrett (This picture book is only available in Twin-Vision Braille)
Intermediate (For Grades 4-7 and 5-8)
2012 – DB 70350 Closed for the Season: A Mystery Story by Mary Downing Hahn – Mystery
2011 – DB 68747 Stolen Children by Peg Kehret – Suspense Story
2009 – DB 69453 Satch and Me: A Baseball Card Adventure by Dan Gutman – Science Fiction/Sports Fiction
2006 – BBR 42139 Escaping the Giant Wave by Peg Kehret – Adventure Story (This picture book is only available in Braille)
2005 – BBR 42148 Loser by Jerry Spinelli – School Story (This picture book is only available in Braille)
2003 – DB 50679 Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo – General Fiction
1997 – BBR 34119 The Best (Worst) School Year Ever: The Herdmans, Book 2 by Barbara Robinson – School Story/Humor Fiction (This picture book is only available in Braille)
1991 – BBR 34120 There’s a Boy in the Girls’ Bathroom by Louis Sachar – School Story (This picture book is only available in Braille)
1985 – BBR 33514 A Dog Called Kitty by Bill Wallace – Animal Story (This picture book is only available in Braille)
1983 – BBR 35212/DB 40741 Superfudge: Fudge, Book 3 by Judy Blume – Family Story (This picture book is available in Braille and on digital cartridge)
1981 – BBR 21015/DB 65299 Bunnicula: A Rabbit-Tale of Mystery; Bunnicula, Book 1 by James Howe – Animal Story/Paranormal Fiction (This picture book is only available in Braille and on digital cartridge)
Young Adult (For Grades 6-9, Junior High, and Senior High Readers)
2013 – DB 73998 The Running Dream by Wendelin Van Draanen – School Story/Disability Fiction
2012 – DB 71569 The Compound: The Compound, Book 1 by S.A. Bodeen – Science Fiction
2011 – DB 68384 The Hunger Games: The Hunger Games, Book 1 by Suzanne Collins – Science Fiction
2009 – DB 62066 Twilight: Twilight, Book 1 by Stephenie Meyer – Low Fantasy/Romance
2008 – DB 63443 The Lightning Thief: Percy Jackson and the Olympians, Book 1 by Rick Riordan – Low Fantasy
1995 – BBR 35039 The Giver: The Giver Quartet, Book 1 by Lois Lowry – Science Fiction (This picture book is only available in Braille)