

National Hispanic Heritage Month

Resources for Dobbs Ferry Teachers, Staff, and Families

Every year, from September 15th to October 15th, Americans recognize National Hispanic Heritage Month by honoring the culture, histories, and contributions of Americans whose families came to the country from Spanish-speaking countries in Europe and the Americas. Check out some of the new and classic Latinx and Hispanic titles at the Springhurst, Dobbs Ferry Middle & High School, and Dobbs Ferry Public Libraries to celebrate!

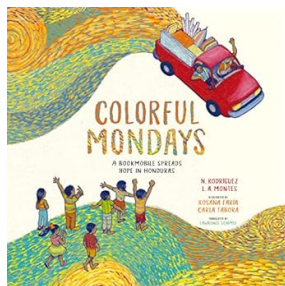
Elementary School



Best Believe: The Tres Hermanas, a Sisterhood for the Common Good by NoNieqa Ramos

Meet the Tres Hermanas: Evelina Antonetty, Lillian López, and Elba Cabrera. They moved from Puerto Rico to New York City as children and grew up to become leaders in their Bronx community. [Access this book's Classroom Activities Guide here!](#)

Available at the Springhurst Library and [the Dobbs Ferry Public Library](#).

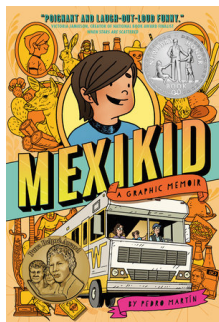


Colorful Mondays: A Bookmobile Spreads Hope in Honduras by Nelson Rodríguez

Luis's favorite day of the week is Monday, the day the bookmobile comes to his neighborhood. Every new Monday fills Luis and his neighbors with a joy they can't help but bring back home. [Watch this real-life bookmobile in action on YouTube!](#)

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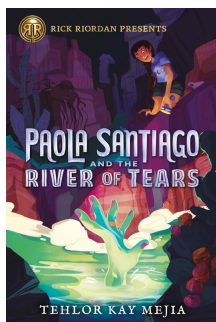
Middle School



MexiKid by Pedro Martín

Pedro Martin's grown up in the U.S. hearing stories about his legendary abuelito, but during a family road trip to Mexico, he connects with his grandfather and learns more about his own Mexican identity in this graphic memoir. [Watch the book trailer here!](#)

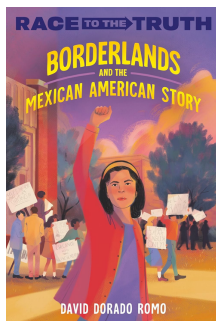
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Paola Santiago and the River of Tears by Tehlor Kay Mejia

Paola Santiago looks forward to summer days filled with daydreaming and working on science experiments with her best friends, Dante and Emma, down at the riverbanks. Paola doesn't believe in her mother's warnings about folkloric elements like La Llorona, but when Emma disappears she and Dante must go on a journey that defies the laws of physics and other scientific truths Pao holds dear. [Check out the Educator's Guide here!](#)

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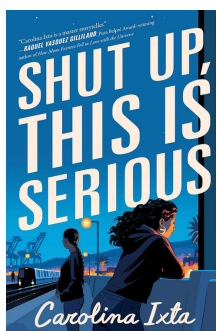


Race to the Truth: Borderlands and the Mexican-American Story by David Dorado Romo

The Mexican American story is usually carefully presented as a story of immigrants, but in reality, Mexicans were on this land long before any borders existed. From missions and the Alamo to muralists, revolutionaries, and teen activists, this is the true story of the Mexican American experience.

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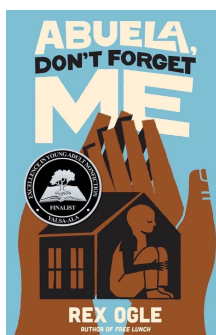
High School



Shut Up, This is Serious by Carolina Ixta

From debut author Carolina Ixta comes a fierce, intimate examination of friendship, chosen family, and the generational cycles we must break to become our truest selves. This is an unforgettable YA debut about two Latina teens growing up in East Oakland as they discover that the world is brimming with messy complexities, perfect for fans of Elizabeth Acevedo and Erika L. Sánchez.

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Abuela, Don't Forget Me by Rex Ogle

Rex Ogle captures and celebrates the powerful presence of a woman he could always count on—to give him warm hugs and ear kisses, to teach him precious words in Spanish, to bring him to the library where he could take out as many books as he wanted, and to offer safety when darkness closed in. Throughout a coming of age marked by violence and dysfunction, Abuela's red-brick house in Abilene, Texas, offered Rex the possibility of home, and Abuela herself the possibility for a better life. Memoir in verse.

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Canto Contigo by Jonny Garza Villa

When a Mariachi star transfers schools, he expects to be handed his new group's lead vocalist spot—what he gets instead is a tenacious current lead with a very familiar, very kissable face. *Canto Contigo* is a love letter to Mexican culture, family and legacy, the people who shape us, and allowing ourselves to forge our own path. At its heart, this is one of the most glorious rivals-to-lovers romance about finding the one who challenges you in the most extraordinary ways. [Watch the book trailer here!](#)

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Relit: 16 Latinx Remixes of Classic Stories, edited by Sandra Proudman

Relit features sixteen original stories by award-winning and bestselling Latinx YA authors that revamp classics, myths, and fairy tales to center the multilayered Latinx experience through fantasy, science fiction, and a dash of horror. (Publisher Summary)

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