



OAKLAND  
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Mathical  
BOOK PRIZE



# CLASSROOM MATHICAL BOOK DISTRIBUTION

The OLC is teaming up with the Mathematical Science Research Institute (MSRI) and Bring Me A Book to distribute sets of Mathical award-winning books to Pre-12th grade Pre-K-12th grade teachers, expanded learning programs and libraries in Title I Oakland schools. **The Mathical Book Prize is an annual award for fiction and nonfiction books that inspire children of all ages to see math in the world around them.** Each year's selections join a growing list of stories ranging from picture books and graphic novels to chapter books and young adult literature.

**We will select 130 educators and send them a set of 10 Mathical books, along with a book cubby in which to store them, to help promote math as an exciting subject that's more than numbers and equations.** Books are divided into grade level sets: PreK-TK, K-2nd, 3rd-5th, and 6th-12th. You can find lists of the books and descriptions on our website.

## WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Classroom teachers, expanded learning program staff and library staff are encouraged to apply if your school is a:

- Preschool, elementary, middle or high school in Oakland.
- Title I school/school that serves majority low-income families.
- OUSD or Oakland charter public school (private schools are not eligible).

We will accept applications on a first come, first served basis. **Community organizations and nonprofits that run school-based programs are now eligible for this distribution!**



[mathicalbooks.org](http://mathicalbooks.org)

The **MATHICAL BOOK PRIZE** recognizes math-inspiring literature for kids ages 2–18. Prize-winning books are selected by a committee of teachers, librarians, mathematicians, and others. To get the Mathical List, plus reading guides, book reviews, and more, see [mathicalbooks.org](http://mathicalbooks.org).

# IMPORTANT DETAILS

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- The Mathical books, Prek-TK, K-2nd, 3rd-5th, 6th-12th grade, are for classroom use and not for children to take home.
- We will provide you with a reference guide with teaching resources to give you more ideas about how to use the books to help students see math everywhere.
- You will be asked to complete a very short report on how you used the books and cubby.

# HOW TO APPLY

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Interested educators are asked to submit a brief online request form, which can be found on our website. We can be reached by phone at (510) 280-3547 or by email at [julia@oaklandliteracycoalition.org](mailto:julia@oaklandliteracycoalition.org).

*Please reach out to us if you have questions!*

# KEY DATES

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- Applications will be released on September 1, 2022, and can be submitted anytime until October 14, 2022 by 11:59pm.
- The OLC will review applications and announce final funding decisions by Friday, October 21.
- Books and cubbies will be shipped to your school site by late November or early December 2022
- Grantees will be asked to submit a short report by December 31, 2022.

