

Rosie Guidelines

The following guidelines have been established to assist in the creation of the annual Rosie Wannabe List. The committee has chosen to label these as guidelines, rather than rules, so that exceptions can be made when members of the committee feel strongly that they have found something extraordinary!

Book Limit:

The number of books on any given Nominee (Wannabe) List will be 75. As the list is put together, a sub-committee of 2 to 4 Rosie Committee members will review the submissions to make sure that the list remains balanced—non-fiction, realistic fiction, science fiction, poetry, etc. Once a particular genre has been well-represented, no more nominees will be accepted in that category. Requests may be sent out to committee members for suggestions for the missing genres.

Character Age:

It is preferred that the main characters in a book to be named to the Nominee List be young adult, high school or college age.

Publication Date:

Before a book can be named to the Nominee List, the publication date must be no more than five years previous to the year for which it is being nominated.

Reviews:

Every effort will be made to find professional reviews of the titles submitted.

Submissions:

A new nomination form has been created to assist with the creation of the Wannabe List. Submissions will now be asked to include title, author, publication date, genre, and at least one reason why the title should be considered. The only exception is explained below.