

My Brother's Keeper by Patricia McCormick.

Thirteen-year-old Toby, a prematurely gray-haired Pittsburgh Pirates fan and baseball card collector tries to cope with his brother's drug use, his father's absence, and his mother dating Stanley the Food King.

Call Number: YA McCormick

Alex's Challenge by Melissa J. Morgan.

During the last weeks of summer camp, eleven-year-old Alex Kim has trouble hiding a secret from the other girls in bunk 3C while also trying to meet the high standards she sets for herself in sports, relationships, and other activities.

Call Number: JF PB Morga

Goal! by Robert Rigby.

Santiago has reason to think that his dream of becoming a professional soccer player is just that, until an amazing turn of events affords him a chance to play for one of England's top clubs.

Call Number: YA Rigby

House of Sports by Marisabina Russo.

Through a series of triumphs and tragedies at home, at school, and on the basketball court, plus time reluctantly spent with his elderly grandmother, twelve-year-old Jim Malone learns that there is a lot more to life than basketball.

Call Number: YA Russo

Going for the Record

by Julie A. Swanson.

Seventeen-year-old Leah Weiczynkowski, about to begin her senior year of high school,

is on the brink of realizing her dream - playing soccer for the under-eighteen national team, her gateway to the World Cup and the Olympics. Everything she's worked for in her young life has been about this moment. She can't wait to tell her dad, her biggest fan and her faithful chauffeur to games and practices. Unfortunately, her dad has news of his own.

Call Number: YA Swanson

Cruise Control by Terry Trueman.

Paul is a straight-A high school senior who is also on the football, baseball, and basketball teams. He feels guilty not only about being so talented, but also because he is ashamed of his brother.

Call Number: YA Trueman

Black and White by Paul Volponi.

Long Island City High School basketball stars Marcus Brown and Eddie Russo, aka "Black and White," turn to robbery to get easy money for shoes and senior fees. When Eddie produces his dead grandfather's gun, the teens feel powerful and fearless until just another stickup goes wrong, and Eddie fires the weapon.

Call Number: YA Volponi

Losing is Not an Option by Rich Wallace.

Eleven episodes in the life of a young man, from sneaking into his tenth football game in a row with his best friend in sixth grade to running his last high school race, the Pennsylvania state championships.

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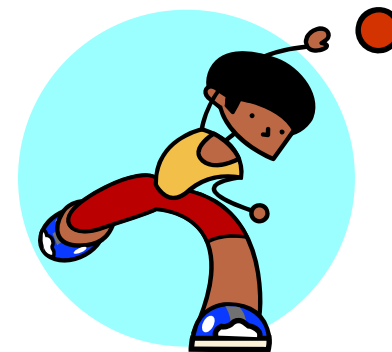
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Summerland by Michael Chabon.

Ethan Feld, a Little League player, is recruited by Ringfinger Brown to play in the ball game of his life, and save the world. Packed with magic,

adventure, myth, and America's favorite pastime, this book will enchant its audience.

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Born in Sin by Evelyn Coleman.

Keisha Wright, a good student with ambitions to become a doctor, learns that she has been transferred out of the college-prep curriculum by a guidance counselor who considers her to be at-risk. Soon, Keisha discovers her swimming ability, and is groomed for Olympic trials by an admiring coach.

Call Number: YA Coleman

Whale Talk by Chris Crutcher.

The Cutter All Night Mermen, a group of seven misfits who are members of a make-shift swim team, come together to challenge their high school's sports culture and fight for dignity in a world where a moment's inattention can bring lifelong heartache.

Call Number: YA Crutcher

Life at These Speeds by Jeremy Jackson.

Kevin Schuler's popular, athletic and dates the cutest girl in school. But his life is shat-

tered when the van carrying most of his friends home from a track meet skids into the river and all on board are killed. From that moment on, Kevin is transformed: he transfers to a different school, becomes a track prodigy and struggles with repressed memories of his dead friends.

Call Number: YA Jackson

Damage by A.M. Jenkins.

High school senior Austin Reid is a star of the high school football team and dates the prettiest girl in the school. Everything would seem to be going great for him...so why is he suffering from depression?

Call Number: YA Jenkins

Shakespeare Bats Cleanup by Ron Koertge.

Fourteen-year-old Kevin Boland is an MVP first baseman whose whole life revolves around baseball. Diagnosed with mono, he is forced to stay at home for months while he recuperates.

Call Number: YA Koertge

Heat by Mike Lupica.



When Michael Arroyo is on the baseball diamond, everything feels right. Tragically, Michael's father died of a heart attack a few months back, leaving Michael and his older brother, Carlos, to struggle along on their own. Afraid of being separated, they hide the news of their

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father's death from everyone.

Call Number: YA Lupica

Iceman by Chris Lynch.

The other guys on Eric's hockey team call him the Iceman, because he's a heartless player, cold as ice. Only Eric knows the truth, he's not cold; he's on fire, burning with a need he just can't explain. Can Eric find a way to make them understand how he feels before the fire inside consumes him completely?

Call Number: YA Lynch

Pinned by Alfred C. Martino.

Dealing with family problems, girls, and their own competitive natures, high school seniors Ivan Korske and Bobby Zane face each other in the final match of the New Jersey State Wrestling Championship.

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