



The MBK program was launched by President Barack Obama in February 2014 to improve the lifelong outcomes of boys and young men of color. Since then, 250 communities across the nation have accepted this challenge. Mayor Thomas Roach and the White Plains School District accepted the My Brother's Keeper initiative on August 10, 2016 to address persistent opportunity gaps faced by boys and young men of color and to ensure that all young people can reach their full potential.

## My Brother's Keeper 2019 Summer Reading List

### **Grade 7 - 12**

Books may be found in the Edge at the White Plains Public Library. Many titles may also be available as e-books, audiobooks, or e-audiobooks.

#### **Grade 7 - 8**

**Iron River** by Daniel Acosta

**The Crossover** by Kwame Alexander

**The Improbable Rise of Paco Jones** by Dominic Carrillo

**The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora** by Pablo Cartaya

**Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish** by Pablo Cartaya

**Jazz Owls: A Novel of the Zoot Suit Riots** by Margarita Engle

**American Road Trip** by Patrick Flores-Scott

**Fake ID** by Lamar Giles

**The Field Guide to the North American Teenager** by Ben Philippe

**Ghost** by Jason Reynolds

**Ghost Boys** by Jewell Parker Rhodes

**Hoodoo** by Ronald L. Smith

#### **Grade 9 - 10**

**The Closest I've Come** by Fred Aceves

**What If It's Us** by Becky Albertalli and Adam Silvera

**I Am Alfonso Jones** by Tony Medina

**Anger is a Gift** by Mark Oshiro

**Prettyboy Must Die** by Kimberly Reid

**When I Was the Greatest** by Jason Reynolds

**Miles Morales: Spider-Man** by Jason Reynolds

**The Opposite of Always** by Justin Reynolds

**The Afterlife** by Gary Soto

**Dear Martin** by Nic Stone

**Marcelo in the Real World** by Francisco X. Stork

**Black Enough: Stories of Being Young and Black in America** edited by Ibi Zoboi

#### **Grade 11 - 12**

**He Said, She Said** by Kwame Alexander

**The Beautiful Struggle: A Memoir** by Ta-Nehisi Coates

**Spare Parts: Four Undocumented Teenagers, One Ugly Robot and the Battle for the American Dream** by Joshua Davis

**The Resolutions** by Mia Garcia

**Dream Country** by Shannon Gibney

**The Motorcycle Diaries** by Ernesto Che Guevara

**March, Books 1-3** by John Lewis

**Barely Missing Everything** by Matt Mendez

**Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood** by Trevor Noah

**Beasts Made of Night** by Tochi Onyebuchi

**Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe** by Benjamin Alire Sáenz

**More Happy Than Not** by Adam Silvera

