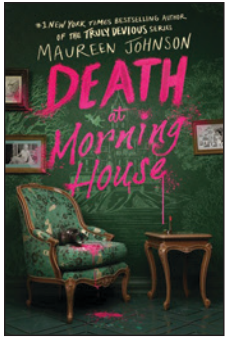


A READ FOR EACH OF YOUR BACK-TO-SCHOOL GOALS

This academic year will be one for the books (your book list, that is).

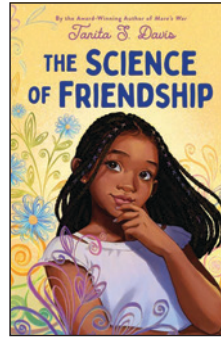
BY ALLYSON COY



YOUR GOAL
Get super organized

DEATH AT MORNING HOUSE
BY MAUREEN JOHNSON
HARPERTEEN, \$20

Marlowe Wexler snags a summer job giving tours of Morning House—a mansion built in the 1920s and abandoned by the wealthy Ralston family after a series of mysterious deaths. Split between Marlowe's and the Ralstons' POV, scary truths emerge that connect the past and present.



Expand your friend group

THE SCIENCE OF FRIENDSHIP
BY TANITA S. DAVIS
HARPERCOLLINS, \$20

Burned by her seventh-grade (former) besties' betrayal, Rylee's determined to figure out friendship...or at least the science behind it. She's teamed up on a journalism assignment with know-it-all DeNia to reveal exactly what breaks a BFF bond—and how to keep it from ever happening again.



Nail that tryout

WE ARE BIG TIME
BY HENA KHAN, ILLUSTRATED BY SAFIYA ZERROUGUI
KNOPF BFYR, \$22

Despite a new school, new classmates and a new basketball team, Aliya is ready to rock it. She's psyched for a winning season—until she realizes the school's team is actually not that good. Based on a true story, this inspiring graphic novel proves that confidence and teamwork can conquer any obstacle.



Level up your packed lunch

GUAVA AND GRUDGES
BY ALEXIS CASTELLANOS
BLOOMSBURY YA, \$14

Aspiring pastry chef Ana Maria Ybarra desperately wants to go to culinary school. But until she can win a recipe competition that offers a scholarship, she's stuck working at her family's bakery. When Miguel, the boy of her dreams, shows up and offers to help her, Ana thinks it's fate...until he shares that his family runs the rival Cuban bakery.



Read outside of your school's assigned book list

NOT ANOTHER BANNED BOOK
BY DANA ALISON LEVY
DELACORTE PRESS, \$18

Ever since Molly Claremont's brother died two years ago, her middle school's book club has been her escape from reality. But that happy place is in peril after her favorite teacher gets suspended for letting them read a controversial novel. Can Molly and her friends save the book club? A great read about a timely topic.



Run for student body president

WITTY IN PINK
BY ERICA GEORGE
ENTANGLED TEEN, \$13

After humiliating her at a ball years before, the dashing and well-connected Briggs has remained Blythe's archnemesis. That is, until he returns to her life even more charming and handsome than before. As Blythe focuses on saving her family from financial ruin, she sees Briggs' connections as a way to help her do just that. But will it come at a cost?



Get out of your comfort zone

TEAM CANTEEN: ROCKY ROAD
BY AMALIE JAHN
PIXEL + INK, \$19

When Team Canteen breaks into their camp's ice cream stash without getting busted, they decide it's due to a feather boa's protective powers. As summer ends, they split custody of their fave pink accessory to help them navigate the challenges of middle school. But maybe their friendship is the true magic?



Start a new club

THE SECRET DEAD CLUB
BY KAREN STRONG
SIMON & SCHUSTER
BFYR, \$18

Just because you can talk to ghosts doesn't mean you *have* to, right? At least that's Wednesday Thomas' mindset when she swears off communicating with the dead. But when her family moves, Wednesday meets two other girls who also have gifts—and they team up to tackle the ghosts in her new town.

GIRLS' LIFE

30 life lessons from

Taylor Swift

The truth about high school
(Besties! Teachers! Drama!)

QUIZ!
Who's your new bsf?

Cue the cake & confetti!
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Back-to-school beauty

Glow up your GRWM

Fall Fashion

Hitting the books and serving the looks

Take our crush course in dating

Psst: You're going to want to study up

School supplies to match your fave subject

Just a girl and her gel pens against the world