

The Winner of the 2011 Bluestem: Illinois' Grades 3-5 Readers' Choice Award is:

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| First Place | Hachiko Waits | by Leslea Newman |
| Second Place | BFG | by Roald Dahl |
| Third Place | How to Steal a Dog | by Barbara O'Connor |



A list of votes each book received is below. A total of 42,358 students voted and 504 schools or public libraries participated. Thank you to all the students who took part, and all the librarians and teachers who promoted the Bluestem Award.

The Bluestem Results

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| Ivy and Bean | 2701 |
| Nic Bishop Frogs | 1088 |
| No Talking | 3714 |
| B F G | 5000 |
| Kenny and the Dragon | 1170 |
| Sky Boys: How they Built the Empire State Building | 988 |
| Emmy and the Incredible Shrinking Rat | 1701 |
| Henry's Freedom Box | 2278 |
| Year of the Dog | 1371 |
| Being Teddy Roosevelt | 710 |
| Hachiko Waits | 5378 |
| Boys of Steel: Creators of Superman | 1005 |
| How to Steal a Dog | 3754 |
| Houdini Box | 3237 |
| Dodger and Me | 1793 |
| Where I Live | 1083 |
| Stand Tall, Abe Lincoln | 527 |
| Shredderman: Secret Identity | 2025 |
| Oggie Cooder | 2294 |
| Aurora County All-Stars | 541 |