## SUNSHINE STATE YOUNG READERS AWARD PROGRAM

Every year students in Indian River County have the opportunity to vote for their favorite Sunshine State Young Readers Association (SSYRA) or Florida Literacy Association (FLA) book with the help of the Indian River County Supervisor of Elections office. The Elections Office facilitates voting through DoubleClick Democracy, an online ballot that allows students in grades K-8 to vote for their favorite book.

The ballot, which is programed by the Elections Office, uses the book title and a picture of the book cover to allow students to identify their favorite book. Students receive an "I Voted" sticker, pencil/pen, and a certificate for their participation in the election. The results are emailed to each school.

The SSYRA/FLA programs are a great way to encourage reading and introduce students to the electoral process. It is never too early to educate students on the importance of voting! If your school wants to participate in this year's SSYRA/FLA election, contact Vote-by-Mail Coordinator Daisy Zamora at 772.226.4702 to reserve your school's voting day.

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