



Lancaster Public Library stands against racism & violence. We believe in the power of books to help create a deeper understanding of the history and impacts of systemic racism, prejudice, discrimination, and inequality.

We have compiled a reading list of anti-racist books for young readers, a few of which are currently available via our digital collection. Physical books can be requested for curbside pickup beginning Monday, June 8.

Picture Books:

Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman

Freedom Summer by Deborah Wiles

Tar Beach by Faith Ringgold

Why am I Me? by Paige Britt

Juvenile Non-Fiction:

Birmingham Sunday by Larry Dane Brimner

Black Lives Matter by Duchess Harris

[Brown Girl Dreaming](#) by Jacqueline Woodson

Freedom Summer: The 1964 Struggle for Civil Rights in Mississippi by Susan Goldman Rubin

[Game Changer: John McLendon and the Secret Game](#) by John Coy

Let's Talk About Race by Julius Lester

Lift Every Voice and Sing by James Weldon Johnson

Lunch Counter Sit-Ins: How Photographs Helped Foster Peaceful Civil Rights Protests by Danielle Smith-Llera

Not My Idea: A Book About Whiteness by Anastasia Higginbotham

Race: A History Beyond Black and White by Marc Aronson

Racism by Katie Marsico

[Rosa](#) by Nikki Giovanni

The March on Washington: Uniting Against Racism by Robin S. Doak



[Viola Desmond Won't Be Budged](#) by Jody Nyasha Warner

We Rise, We Resist, We Raise Our Voices by Wade Hudson, ed. and Cheryl Wells Hudson, ed.

[What's Racism](#) by Amy B. Rogers

Juvenile Fiction:

[A Good Kind of Trouble](#) by Lisa Moore Ramee

[Betty Before X](#) by Ilyasah Shabazz

Clean Getaway by Nic Stone

Ghost Boys by Jewell Parker Rhodes

[One Crazy Summer](#) by Rita Williams-Garcia

[Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry](#) by Mildred D. Taylor

The Lions of Little Rock by Kristin Levine

The Watsons Go to Birmingham -- 1963 by Christopher Paul Curtis