

AARON REYNOLDS

◆ aaron@aaron-reynolds.com ◆ www.aaron-reynolds.com ◆

April 29, 2014

To the kids, teachers, and librarians of Pennsylvania,

I just received the great news that my book, CREEPY CARROTS!, has won the 2013-2014 Pennsylvania Reader's Choice Award!

Whenever one of my books wins an award, it's exciting, but this is doubly so. First, because of the other AMAZING books that also won. Having my book stand alongside other winners like THE ONE AND ONLY IVAN by Katherine Applegate, CHOMP by Carl Hiaasen and MISS PEREGRINE'S HOME FOR PECULIAR CHILDREN by Ransom Riggs...well, I'm flabbergasted. Each one of these books is one of my very favorites, so to have CREEPY CARROTS stand next to those books is very special to me.

But there's another reason that this award is so incredible. It's because the winner was chosen by KIDS. It's not enough that I think my own books are fun and hilarious (and believe me, I do!). It's not enough that other grown-ups or critics like them. What really matters to me is that KIDS love them. By selecting CREEPY CARROTS as your winning choice, out of all the other books you could have selected...it tells me loud and clear that you kids really love my book.

And that means more to me than words can say.

Thanks so much for this wonderful honor.

With deep gratitude,



Aaron Reynolds