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AASA Executive Director Paul D. Houston shares his love of books by maintaining a list of “Paul’s Picks.” Dr. Houston has recommended many of the following books for professional and leisure reading.

Engaging Every Learner Alan M. Blankstein, Robert W. Cole, Paul D. Houston, editors. (Corwin Press/Hope Foundation/American Association of School Administrators/Nation Association Of Elementary School Principals, ©2007) Nine essays discuss ways of engaging students and “closing the equity gap,” discussing diverse learners, high expectations, compassionate intervention, and other related topics. [371.2 ENG](#)

A Whole New Mind : Why Right-Brainers Will Rule the Future by Daniel H. Pink. (Riverhead Books, ©2006) This book explores how the business world is changing in the twenty-first century. Society is becoming more “right-brain” based, allowing people who are more creative and artistic than earlier generations to succeed more than those with left-brain dominance. [158 PIN](#)

Stumbling on Happiness by Daniel Todd Gilbert (Knopf, ©2006) The author draws on psychology, cognitive neuroscience, philosophy, and behavioral economics to argue that, just as people err in remembering the past, they also have illusions and foibles in imagining the future. [158 GIL](#)

The Wizard and the Warrior : Leading with Passion and Power by Lee G. Bolman, Terrence E. Deal (Jossey-Bass, ©2006) Bolman argues that great leaders must act both as wizard, calling on imagination, creativity meaning, and magic, and as warrior, mobilizing strength, courage, and willingness to fight as necessary to fulfill their mission. [658.4 BOL](#)

Eight Habits of the Heart for Educators : Building Strong School Communities Through Timeless Values by Clifton L. Taulbert (Corwin Press, ©2006) Clifton Taulbert shares eight time-honored principles that can help educators, students, and administrators build a strong school community. [370.114 TAU](#)

Launching Your First Principalsip : A Guide for Beginning Principals by Barbara L. Brock and Marilyn L. Grady (Corwin Press, ©2004) This volume presents a practical guide for new principals designed to reduce stress, improve communication skills, manage time and staff, resolve conflicts, and maximize leadership potential. [371.2 BRO](#)

Vital Friends : The People You Can’t Afford to Live Without by Tom Rath (Gallup Press, ©2006) Rath examines long-held assumptions people have about their friendships and identifies eight specific types of friends and the factors that make friendships work. The book includes a unique ID code that provides access to the Vital Friends Assessment and Web site that reveals which friends play each of the eight vital friendship roles in work and life. [155.9 RAT](#)

Silos, Politics, and Turf Wars : A Leadership Fable About Destroying the Barriers That Turn Colleagues Into Competitors by Patrick Lencioni (Jossey-Bass, ©2006) This book offers solutions to the impact of turf wars and political infighting as well as organizational effectiveness in the form of a fictional but realistic format. It features the concept of “Silos,” vertical structures within organizations that devastate companies and jeopardize the achievement of corporate goals. [658.409 LEN](#)

The Wounded Leader : How Real Leadership Emerges in Times of Crisis by Richard H. Ackerman and Pat Maslin-Ostrowski (Jossey-Bass, ©2002) In this book the authors explore how successful leaders turn crises into learning and growing experiences. [371.2 ACK](#)



Feature Videos & DVDs @ your library

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[The Biggest Test in the Universe 11318500](#)

Baltimore, MD : GPN, Reading Rainbow Series, ©2006.

Summary: Presents the title story in which Sam and his classmates dread the arrival of Friday and the Big Test—their elementary school rite of passage; and includes visits with children preparing for important performances, and reviews of related books.

Description: 1 DVD (ca. 30 min.) : sd., col.

Interest Grade Level: K-3.

[First Year Milestones: A Monthly Guide to Your Baby's Growth 11228500](#)

Longmont, CO : Injoy, ©2006.

Summary: This 2-disc program illustrates the physical, emotional, and linguistic milestones of the first year, and it includes corresponding brain development and safety information throughout.

Description: 2 DVDs (25 min. each) : sd., col. ; + 1 facilitator's guide (7 p.)

Interest Grade Level: 9-12.

[Game Day 11348500](#)

Baltimore, MD : GPN, Reading Rainbow Series, ©2006.

Summary: Presents the title work in which NFL superstars Tiki and Ronder Barber tell the story of how loyalty, determination, and the power of teamwork helped them succeed; and includes an introduction to the Barber brothers, visits with twin sisters who hope to participate in the Olympics, and a boy working to repair his athletic abilities following a brain injury.

Description: 1 DVD (ca. 30 min.) : sd., col.

Interest Grade Level: K-3.

[I Lost My Tooth in Africa 11328500](#)

Baltimore, MD : GPN, Reading Rainbow Series, c2006.

Summary: Presents the title story in which a young girl, visiting her father's family in Mali, loses a tooth and in the African tradition, places it under a gourd to await a reward from the Tooth Fairy; and includes a trip to the dentist, a visit to a Quinceanera celebrating a fifteen-year-old Hispanic girl's transition into womanhood, and reviews of related books.

Description: 1 DVD (ca. 30 min.) : sd., col.

Interest Grade Level: K-3.

[Newborn Care: A Guide to the First Six Weeks 11248500](#)

Longmont, CO : Injoy, 2003.

Summary: Presents the essentials of newborn care.

Description: 1 DVD (40 min.) : sd., col.. + 1 facilitator's guide (4 p.)

Interest Grade Level: 9-12.

[Safe Road Home: Stop Your Teen from Drinking and Driving 11258500](#)

New York : Sterling, 2005.

Summary: Looks at the subject of teen drinking and driving, including advice, research, and practical safe-driving tips. Accompanied by a 53-minute DVD (c2005) of an HBO documentary entitled:

Smashed—toxic tales of teens and alcohol. The film follows six teens who survived to tell their stories.

Description: 112 p. : ill. ; 23 cm. + 1 DVD (53 min. : sd., col.)

Interest Grade Level: 6-12.

[Safety Starts at Home 11238500](#)

Longmont, CO : Injoy, 2003.

Summary: Presents recommended child-proofing techniques and injury prevention strategies.

Description: 1 DVD (49 min.) : sd., col., + 1 facilitator's guide (4 p.)

Interest Grade Level: 9-12.

[Show Way 11358500](#)

Baltimore, MD : GPN, Reading Rainbow Series, c2006.

Summary: Presents the title work in which a mother passes on the tradition of making quilts, or "show ways," that serve as secret maps for freedom seeking slaves; and includes a look at family keepsakes, a visit with a Jewish grandmother who survived the Holocaust as a child.

Description: 1 DVD (ca. 30 min.) : sd., col. with b&w

Interest Grade Level: K-3.