

BASKETBALL & SOCCER



The Crossover

by Kwame Alexander

Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.



Swagger

by Carl Deuker

Moving to Seattle in the hope of pursuing a professional basketball career, high school senior Jonas befriends innocent, soft-spoken teammate Levi and risks everything when Levi confides in Jonas that he has been sexually abused by their charismatic coach.



Foul Trouble

by John Feinstein

When his best friend, the most talented high school basketball player in the country, is targeted by top colleges, the NBA and money managers, Danny Wilcox realizes that a lot of the people surrounding his friend are corrupt back-room dealers who do not have his best

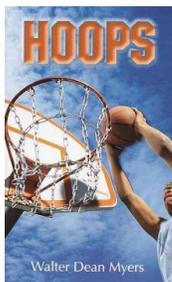
interests at heart.



Losers Take All

by David Klass

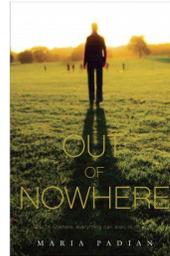
Forced to join a sports team with his ragtag band of anti-athletic friends, Jack starts a rebel soccer team that is secretly dedicated to avoiding victory and undermining his school's jock culture, with unexpected results.



Hoops

by Walter Dean Myers

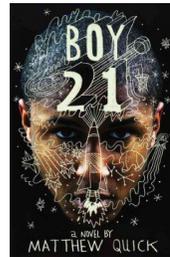
A teenage basketball player from Harlem is befriended by a former professional player who, after being forced to quit because of a point shaving scandal, hopes to prevent other young athletes from repeating his mistake.



Out of Nowhere

by Maria Padian

Performing community service for pulling a foolish prank against a rival high school, soccer star Tom tutors a Somali refugee with soccer dreams of his own.



Boy 21

by Matthew Quick

Finley, an unnaturally quiet boy who is the only white player on his high school's varsity basketball team, lives in a dismal Pennsylvania town that is ruled by the Irish mob, and when his coach asks him to mentor a troubled African-American student who has transferred there from an elite private school in California, he finds that they have a lot in common despite their apparent differences.



Breakaway

by Katarina M. Spears

Depending on his three best friends after the tragic death of his sister, soccer player Jason unexpectedly falls in love and struggles with changing peer dynamics in the wake of his friends' respective life changes.



Slump

by Kevin Waltman

Derrick "D-Bow" Bowman thought sophomore year would be easier, but his girlfriend Jasmine leaves him for putting too much focus on basketball, the jump shot he worked on all summer is not working, and his father has a heart attack, forcing Derrick to accept that basketball cannot be his only priority.



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