The Bookworm ... For Kids Your Child Will Love This 'School'

"Ally-Saurus & the First Day of School" by Richard Torrey; © 2015, Sterling Children's Books. 32 pages

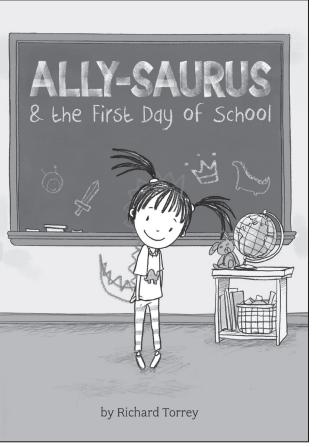
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On your first day of school, you become a First Grader.

That's a big step because you also become a scholar, a learner. You'll be someone who gets good grades and someone who likes recess. You'll be a kid who makes your family proud. But what if you just wanted to be a plain old kid... who's part dinosaur? In the new book "Ally-Saurus & the First Day of School" by Richard Torrey, you'll see what could happen.

Though it may have looked like Ally's mother was waking a little girl up and helping her out of bed on the first day of school, that wasn't the case at all. What looked like a girl was really an Ally-Saurus, a fierce and dangerous dinosaur.

Minutes after rising, Ally-Saurus took off her dino jammies and put on her new dinosaur shirt and striped pants - backwards. That was



so her "dinosaur tail can stick out," she told Father. He made her put her clothes on the correct way, which

made Ally-Saurus ROAR before she ate her breakfast with "fierce teeth."

Would there be other dinosaurs in school? Mother wasn't sure about that, but

Saurus said a cloud looked like a dinosaur, someone else saw something else. Ally-Saurus thought everybody liked dinosaurs but it turned out that a lot of girls liked princesses better.

They liked princesses so much that they wouldn't let an Ally-Saurus sit with them, so she had to sit by herself at an empty table in the lunchroom. If only she could be at home with her dinosaur toys. At least they'd eat lunch with her. Would a fierce Ally-Saurus ever be able to find friends at school?

Remember your first day of school? It was a pretty big day and no matter how much Mom prepared you for it, you were probably still a little nervous. If your child is facing the same jitters before class starts, then you need "Ally-Saurus & the First Dav of School" in your home.

It's easy to fall in love with Ally-Šaurus. From the jaunty ponytails and the selfassured smile, to the pink dinosaur scales across her head and down, she makes kids (and parents) smile. What I liked absolutely best, though, was the way that author Richard Torrey depicts



Here's what's new at the Yankton Community Library this week:

ADULT BOOKS

• Alert by James Patterson & Michael Ledwidge: Fiction

- The Ambassador's Wife by Jennifer Steil; Fiction • And Sometimes I Wonder About You by Walter Mosley; Fiction
 - Aurora by Kim Stanley Robinson; Fiction
 - Brush Back by Sara Paretsky; Fiction
 - The Bourbon Kings by J. R. Ward; Fiction
 - Circling the Sun by Paula McLain; Fiction
- Coming of Age at the End of Days by Alice LaPlante; Fiction
 - Crooked by Austin Grossman; Fiction • The Dog Master by W. Bruce Cameron; Fiction • **Dragonbane** by Sherrilyn Kenyon; Fiction • How to Be a Grown-Up by McLaughlin & Kraus;
- Fiction • If I Could Turn Back Time by Beth Harbison; Fiction • Kitchens of the Great Midwest by J. Ryan Stradal;
- Fiction
 - A Paris Affair by Tatiana De Rosnay; Fiction
 - Pretty Baby by Mary Kubica; Fiction Hot Knots by Kat Hartmann; Nonfiction
- How To Start a Home-Based Event Planning Business by Jill S. Moran, SCEP; Nonfiction
 - **1920** by Eric Burns; Nonfiction
 - The Organic Artist by Nick Neddo; Nonfiction
 - Trials of Passion by Lisa Appignanesi; Nonfiction
- The Waste Not, Want Not Cookbook by Cinda Chavich; Nonfiction

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- Badlands by C. J. Box; Fiction
- The Bourbon Kings by J. R. Ward; Fiction
- Brush Back by Sara Paretsky; Fiction
- Jurassic Park by Michael Crichton; Fiction
- **Perfect Touch** by Elizabeth Lowell; Fiction



