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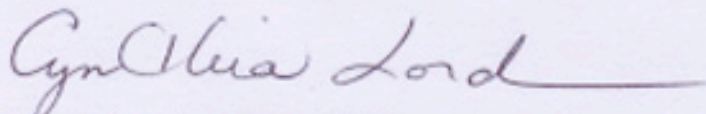
To the students of Kentucky,

Thank you for presenting Rules with a Kentucky Bluegrass Award! I am thrilled and very honored to accept it. When I first learned that Rules had won, I checked the official award website three times, to make sure it was really true!

As a children's book author, I'm happy when adults like Rules, but when *students* like it, that's the very best. Thank you so much.

I will treasure this award. In fact, as Jason would've said in RULES, winning this means "more than words" to me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cynthia Lord". The signature is written in dark ink and extends across the width of the page.

Cynthia Lord, author of Rules