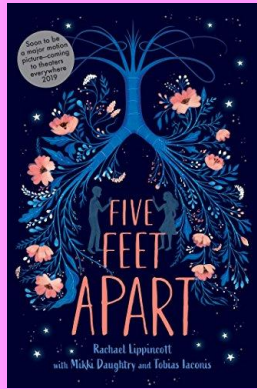


# Booklist Review



Books For Youth - Fiction - General Fiction



## **Five Feet Apart.**

**Lippincott, Rachael (author) and Mikki Daughtry (author) and others.** Nov. 2018. 288p.

Simon & Schuster, \$18.99  
([9781534437333](https://www.amazon.com/dp/9781534437333)). Grades 7-12.  
**REVIEW.** First published November 1, 2018 (*Booklist*).

Stella Grant has control issues. She also has breathing issues because of cystic fibrosis, and she must remain six feet away from anyone who could

give her an infection. She has spent years in and out of the hospital, and now, instead of joining her friends on their senior trip, she's fighting a simple sore throat that could ruin her chances for a lung transplant. Nevertheless, she hosts YouTube videos about CF and works diligently on her medicine-treatment reminder app. When CF patient and rich kid Will Newman arrives as part of a clinical trial for a drug, Stella knows there will be trouble. He doesn't care about the trial or his regimen, so she forces him to help test her app. Eventually, Stella decides moving one foot closer to Will is worth the risk, and both find their worlds expanding as a result. The characters' backstories are complex and moving, and the unpredictability of the disease will break readers' hearts. Teens will clamor to read this before the film version releases in March 2019. — *Jeanne Fredriksen*

## **Booklist Editors Recommend**

Titles similar to *Five Feet Apart*

- *The Fault in Our Stars*
- *The Brilliant Light of Amber Sunrise*