

Send nomination forms to:

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Deadline: November 1, 2009

Distinguished Teacher of Reading Nomination

DATE: _____

NOMINEE'S NAME: _____

TEACHING ASSIGNMENT: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL** _____

SUBMITTING COUNCIL: _____

COUNCIL PRESIDENT: _____

PRESIDENT'S MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ **EMAIL** _____

Please write a narrative that focuses on the literacy events in the nominee's life and specifics on how the nominee has enhanced literacy in the classroom, school, and community. Make a case for your nominee winning the award. If appropriate, include evidence of excellence in teaching over a number of years. Also include details about the nominee's approach to teaching, especially in the area of literacy. This information will be used to evaluate your nominee against other nominees in the state. It will also be used to prepare an introduction for this nominee at the state awards' ceremony should (s)he be chosen as the Distinguished Teacher of Reading. You may attach more sheets of paper to this nomination as needed.



Distinguished Teacher of Reading Guidelines

- Each local council may nominate candidates and send one name forward to the state association.
- The nominee should be active in reading beyond the classroom
- The award is not limited to reading teachers. Content area teachers, administrators and teaching teams are also eligible.
- The nomination sent forward to the state should include a biography that focuses on literacy events in the nominee's life and specifics on how the nominee has enhanced literacy in the classroom, school, and community.
- Nominations must consist of a detailed statement making the case for the award. Where possible, evidence of excellence in teaching over a number of years should be included, as well as some detail about the nominee's approach to teaching, especially in the area of literacy.
- Local councils are encouraged to award their nominee at the local level.
- There will be only one teacher or one teaching team in the state awarded the honor of "Distinguished Teacher of Reading."
- Deadline for nominating a teacher is December 31st.
- The Distinguished Teacher of Reading will be honored during a luncheon at the state conference (Saturday) or workshop (depending on the workshop dates.) **The local nominating council will pay for the luncheon.**
- The honoree is responsible for all expenses related to transportation, accommodations, meals, and registrations. We encourage the honoree's local council to help with some of these expenses.



Distinguished Teacher of Reading Scoring Rubric

Date: _____

Nominee's Name: _____

Teaching Assignment: _____

CRITERIA	1 POINT	2 POINTS	3 POINTS
Biography of nominee	Biography missing or no mention is made of literacy events in nominee's life.	Rambling biography with some allusions to literacy events in nominee's life	Focuses on literacy events in the nominee's life
Literacy in the classroom	Nominee has not had a significant effect on literacy in the classroom.	Nominee is shown to have had a mild influence in literacy in the classroom	Nominee is shown to have greatly enhanced literacy in the classroom
Literacy in the school	Nominee has not had a significant effect on literacy in the school.	Nominee is shown to have had a mild influence on literacy in the entire school.	Nominee is shown to have greatly enhanced literacy in the entire school.
Literacy in the community	Nominee has not had a significant effect on literacy in the community.	Nominee is shown to have had a mild influence on literacy in the community.	Nominee is shown to have greatly enhanced literacy in the community.

SCORE FROM RUBRIC: _____

In case of a tie, judges will look for arguments in the nomination that help put one nominee ahead of another. These may include, but not be limited to, evidence of excellence in teaching over a number of years and detail about the nominee's approach to teaching, especially in the area of literacy.