



Gene Cramer ICARE for Reading Award

The Illinois Council for Affective Reading Education (ICARE) is accepting nominations for the annual Gene Cramer ICARE for Reading Award. The award is named in honor of Gene Cramer, the founder of ICARE. The award honors an outstanding educator who shows concern for the affective domain of reading and who strives to promote lifelong reading habits among students. The award will be presented to the recipient at the annual Illinois Reading Council Conference. The honoree will receive a plaque and a monetary award.

ICARE asks all IRC members to please share information about this award with your colleagues and to consider nominating colleagues who meet the criteria for this award (see award's attached nomination form for specific criteria). We are confident that your enthusiasm and participation in this award program will help ICARE and IRC foster the love of reading among all our children in Illinois. If you have any questions about this award, please contact the ICARE President at icare@illinoisreadingcouncil.org.

PROCEDURE

1. Inform IRC members of the award.
2. Post the award's nomination form on the IRC website. While we strongly encourage the nomination of IRC and ICARE members for this award, please note that the person nominated need not be a member of IRC or ICARE.
3. Completed nomination forms must be mailed or emailed to the Illinois Reading Council. Entries must to be postmarked or emailed by March 1. Please see the nomination form for additional mailing information.
4. ICARE Officers will carefully consider the nomination forms that were submitted by March 1 and select the award recipient.
5. The award recipient will be informed by May 15.
6. The award will be presented to the recipient at the annual IRC Conference.

Illinois Council for Affective Reading Education
GENE CRAMER ICARE FOR READING AWARD
Nomination Form

The Illinois Council for Affective Reading Education recognizes the importance of educators in modeling the love of reading and the printed word for today's students who are constantly presented with a vast array of other media. The purpose of the Gene Cramer ICARE for Reading Award is to honor an educator who has performed in an outstanding manner to show concern for the affective domain and who has promoted lifelong reading habits among students. The award is presented to the recipient at the annual Illinois Reading Council Conference. The honoree will receive a plaque and a monetary award.

CRITERIA

1. Educator in good standing in the profession. While we strongly encourage the nomination of IRC and ICARE members for this award, the person nominated need not be a member of IRC or ICARE.
2. Educator who contributes to the spread of the joy of reading and promotes lifelong reading habits among students.
3. Educator who serves as an exemplary model for others in promoting the affective domain of reading.
4. Educator recommended for the award by other educators.

CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION

Name _____

Address _____

Position _____ Phone _____

Email _____

REASONS FOR NOMINATION

Please submit your reasons for nominating this educator *on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this form*. Provide specific details that illustrate your nominee's qualifications.

NOMINATOR

Name _____

Address _____

Position _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Return form postmarked or emailed by **March 1** to: Illinois Reading Council
Attn: ICARE President
203 Landmark Drive, Suite B
Normal, IL 61761
or icare@illinoisreadingcouncil.org