

Upcoming items of interest to IRA members and leaders

IRA Webinar on the new State Literacy Councils

Tuesday, January 12th 8:00 PM Eastern

On January 12th at 8:00 PM hear a presentation on how the new \$250 million struggling readers program – with it's \$10 million appropriation to construct new state literacy councils is an opportunity for IRA state literacy councils to impact the development of a comprehensive literacy professional development program in their state. This is a free webinar but requires registration for the log-in information – contact irawash@reading.org <<mailto:irawash@reading.org>> or call 202-624-8800.

FIRST in a SERIES IRA RTI Commission

Webinar, February 2nd at 8:00 PM Eastern

Please note that if the State of the Union Message is scheduled for this time it will be rescheduled.

The IRA Commission on Response to Intervention (RTI) webinar on the IRA Guiding Principles for RTI – will further clarify issues related to RTI with respect to language and literacy, the Commission offers the following set of principles as a guide to IRA members and others concerned with developing and implementing an RTI approach to improving the language and literacy learning of all students.

Download [RTI: Guiding Principles for Educators from the International Reading Association](http://www.reading.org/Libraries/Resources/RTI_brochure_web.sflb.ashx)
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http://www.reading.org/General/Legislative/LegislativeBlog/BlogSinglePost/10-01-07/February_4_5th_Mini_Legislative_Workshop_Agenda.aspx

Please call 202 624-8800 or email irawash@reading.org <<mailto:irawash@reading.org>> and we will answer any questions you might have or help in planning your visit.

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