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Parents and Reading Award of the Illinois Reading Council

This award recognizes an IRC member who promotes and supports parent involvement in children's reading.

1. Nominee must be a current member of IRC and IRA.
2. Nominee has increased parent participation in children's reading and related literacy development.
3. Nominee has developed and implemented an initiative (project, activities, program, etc.) which promotes meaningful literacy partnerships among parents, children, and educators.
4. Nominee's efforts have produced positive outcomes for children's reading.
5. Nominee is a leader in involving parents in their children's reading and literacy development.

Self-nominations and nominations by others will be accepted. Please use the attached nomination form.

Once nominations have been received, a request for materials will be sent to each nominee. The materials will be used to select the award winner, and they are limited to 3 pages in length. The materials will include 1 page describing the initiative (project, activities, program, etc.), and 2 letters of support from participants in the initiative (parents, children, community members, educators, administrators, IRC members, etc.).

The award winner will receive a plaque and a \$100.00 prize to acknowledge his/her efforts and contributions.

Deadline for nominations will be November 1, 2011. Deadline for submission of materials will be December 1, 2011.

Submit all materials to: **Kristen Stombres**
Parents and Reading Award
Judson University
1151 N State Street
Elgin, IL 60123
B 847-628-1083
Email KStombres@judsonu.edu

If you have questions about this award, please contact Kristen Stombres at the address listed

Parents and Reading Award of the Illinois Reading Council Nomination Form

Nominee: _____

Local Council: _____ IRA Membership Number _____

Home Mailing Address: _____

School Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone Number: _____ School Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Rationale for Nomination: Provide a 1-2 sentence description of the nominee's involvement in Parents and Reading activities, projects, programs.

Nominated by: _____

(If self-nominated, just write "Self-Nominated.")

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Nomination Forms due by November 1, 2011