

Arkansas Reading Association

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International Reading Association

DIAMOND AWARD

This Award is presented to Local Council Presidents at the ARA Celebrate Literacy Event. Local Council Presidents will be eligible for receiving the **DIAMOND AWARD** should they achieve the following:

1. Submit a tentative and final calendar, including dates/speakers, of local council meetings (3 or more) to **ARA President**.
Deadline: Summer Leadership (Tentative) Date achieved _____
Deadline: on or before September 15 (Final) Date achieved _____
2. Submit local council committee chair names to **ARA President**.
Deadline: September 15 Date achieved _____
3. Nominate one for each of the Celebrate Literacy Awards (community leader, educator, and organization).
Deadline: January 15 Date achieved _____
4. Submit one council news article (one to two paragraphs) for state newsletter to **ARA President**.
Deadline: August 1 or March 15 (Choose one) Date achieved _____
5. Two local council representatives attend **one** Delegates' Assembly at **either** the Annual Conference **or** the Summer Leadership Workshop.
Annual Conference _____ **Summer Leadership** _____ Date achieved _____
6. The *Local Director of Membership* sends these items to the **ARA Director of Membership**:
 - Membership Campaign Goal Commitment
Deadline: September 30 Date achieved _____
 - Regular membership reports and state dues money (monthly if new members are added)
Dates achieved: _____
 - Target Membership
Deadline: March 1 Date achieved _____
7. Submit a preliminary list of local council officers (**who must be local council, ARA and IRA members**) for the next year to the **ARA State Coordinator**.
Deadline: March 1 Date achieved _____
8. Submit list of local council officers (**all in good membership standing**) with contact information to state coordinator and send information to IRA online
<http://fs6.formsite.com/intntlreading/2010STPROV/> .
Deadline: April 15 Date achieved _____

For more information regarding the **DIAMOND AWARD**, contact **ARA President**, **ARA Director of Membership** or **ARA State Coordinator** or visit www.arareading.org .