

Honor Council Requirements Overview/Checklist

This will be the _____ year that we earn Honor Council.

Submitted online: www.reading.org by March 1 _____

Council Must be in good standing according to IRA Bylaws _____

Part 1: Service to Council Members

Required Criteria:

- A. Increase local council membership _____
(verify by state/provincial DMD and see guidelines for exceptions)
- B. Long Range Plan _____
- C. Hold 3 Council Meeting _____

Optional Criteria (minimum of 2)

- D. Image Brochure _____
- E. Video/Slideshow _____
- F Website and/or Social Networking _____
- G Newsletter _____
- H Professional Opportunity for Future Educators _____
- I Professional Opportunity for Council Members _____

Part II- Service to Local Community

Optional Criteria (minimum of 2)

- A. Celebrate Literacy Award _____
- B. Community Literacy Project _____
- C. Advocacy of Literacy Issues _____
- D. Family Literacy Program _____
- E. Young Author Project _____
- F. Community Service Program _____

Part III Partnership with State/Provincial Council and IRA

Required Criteria

- A. Submit Officer Report Form no later than July 1 (all officers must be IRA members) _____
- B. Have 10 IRA members - Including Officers _____
- C. Membership Campaign _____
- D. New IRA Members _____ (Membership requirement waived if total IRA membership from previous year is maintained and Honor Council award earned for the past 3 years.)

Optional Criteria (minimum 2)

- E. Support State/Provincial Council Goals _____
- F. State/Provincial Officer Attendance at Local Meeting _____
- G. Support IRA Goals and Strategic Statements _____
- H. Financially sponsor attendance at State, Provincial or IRA event _____

Part IV- Service to International Community

Optional Criteria (minimum 2)

- A. International Literacy Day Celebration _____
- B. Sponsor IRA membership for individual in developing country _____
- C. Contribution to Worldwide Literacy effort _____
- D. International Literacy Project _____
- E. Partner with an International Council _____