

INTERNATIONAL
LITERACY
ASSOCIATION

**Congratulations to
the ILA Chapter Award
Winners!**

ILA 2026 CHAPTER AWARDS

(based on work completed during the 2024–2025 term)

Advocacy Award

Presented to those state and provincial chapters of the International Literacy Association (ILA) that demonstrate how they are working to affect educational policy and legislation through effective advocacy at the local, state/provincial, and/or national levels.

Louisiana Reading Association

Award of Excellence

Presented to those state and provincial chapters that have distinguished themselves through organizing and implementing a wide range of programs and activities, in their state or province, that (1) serve and support chapters and members, (2) contribute to education, and (3) coincide with and support ILA's programs and goals. Award of Excellence winners are listed in alphabetical order by state or province.

*The number designates the total number of years Award of Excellence status has been achieved.

Alabama Literacy Association – Year 35

Arkansas Literacy Association – Year 39

Iowa Reading Association – Year 35

Kentucky Reading Association – Year 26

Keystone State Literacy Association – Year 38

Missouri Literacy Association – Year 34

New York State Reading Association – Year 38

North Dakota Literacy Association – Year 32

Palmetto State Literacy Association – Year 41

Virginia State Literacy Association – Year 35

Honor Award

Presented to those local, student, and special interest chapters that organize and conduct well-rounded programs serving the chapter members, the community, the state/provincial chapter, and ILA. Chapters are recognized for accomplishments during the previous year.

Honor Award winners are listed first by state or province, and then in order of total years Honor Award status has been achieved.

Arkansas

Arkadelphia Area Reading Council – Year 25
Northwest Arkansas Reading Council – Year 32
SEARK Reading Council – Year 32
Grant County Reading Council – Year 33
Three Rivers Reading Council – Year 33
North Central Arkansas Reading Council – Year 41

Illinois

Prairie Area Reading Council – Year 16

Indiana

Fort Wayne Chapter – Year 5

Kentucky

Pennyrile Literacy Chapter – Year 11
Purchase Area Chapter – Year 12
Lake Cumberland Reading Chapter – Year 15
Bluegrass Chapter – Year 17
Greater Louisville Area Chapter – Year 17
Eastern Kentucky Literacy Chapter - Year 23
Three Rivers Literacy Chapter – Year 39

Manitoba

Manitoba Council of Reading Clinicians – Year 14
Reading Council of Greater Winnipeg – Year 40

Maryland

Hartford Council Literacy Chapter – Year 1
Prince Georges County Literacy Chapter – Year 1
Upper Shore Literacy Chapter – Year 1
Howard County Literacy Association – Year 38

Minnesota

Minnesota Academy of Reading – Year 8

New York

Niagara Frontier Reading Council – Year 22
Mid-Hudson Reading Council – Year 26
Central New York Reading Council – Year 43

North Dakota

Chautauqua Literacy Association – Year 15

Oregon

Lane County Literacy Council – Year 24
Mid-Valley Literacy Chapter – Year 42

Pennsylvania

KSLA Brandywine Valley Forge – Year 34
KSLA Delaware Valley – Year 42

South Carolina–Palmetto State

Laurens County Literacy Association – Year 20
Cherokee Literacy Council – Year 22

Virginia

Shenandoah Valley Reading Council – Year 37

Exemplary Reading Program Award

The Exemplary Reading Program Award is sponsored by ILA to recognize outstanding reading and language arts programs at all grade levels (elementary, middle, and high school). Its purpose is to call the public's attention to outstanding programs in schools throughout North America.

Oak Mountain Intermediate School – Shelby County, AL
St. Luke School – River Forest, IL

Local Chapter Community Service Award

Presented to a local, student, or special interest ILA chapter for outstanding service to the community and literacy.

Northwest Indiana Literacy Council – IN
Chautauqua Literacy Chapter – ND
KSLA-Brandywine – PA
The Gilbreath Literacy Chapter – TN