

This award is presented by the International Literacy Association (ILA) to a regional or school administrative literacy leader who has recognized the importance of building a culture of literacy through professional development, instructional resource support, and/or developing specific programs to increase student literacy achievement.

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Submission Timeline

- Opens week of **November 15, 2020**
- Closes **March 15, 2021**
- Applicants are notified of the results via email the **end of June 2021**

Candidate Qualifications

- Must be an ILA member
- Knowledgeable in the practice of effective literacy leadership and leadership skills, building school teams, and motivating groups
- Knowledgeable leader in the processes of change in schools as a means of improving student literacy learning
- Dedicated and tireless literacy leader with the ability to inspire and implement long-term improvements through efforts, encouragement, and service to further development in the field of literacy
- Proven ability to create a culture of literacy teaching and learning within a school or district through professional development, instructional resource support, and/or developing specific literacy programs to build capacity and increase student literacy achievement
- Ongoing initiation and development of original ideas that advance the knowledge and understanding of the reading process and/or improve practices in literacy instruction and development
- Longstanding contributions to the design and implementation of literacy curriculum through varied methods of presentation (e.g., lectures, seminars, writings) for literacy professionals

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How to Apply/Nominate

Complete your nomination using [our online application process](#).

Review Procedures and Evaluation Criteria

- Applications will be reviewed by members of the Corwin Literacy Leader Award presented by ILA Committee.
- Decisions will be based on the quality of the application, relevance to the award's intent, and the quality of supporting materials.
- The award will be made only in those years when the committee concludes there is an application of high quality.

Please direct any questions about this award to ILAAwards@reading.org.