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Re: Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D.) Project Grant

The Illinois Reading Council's Family Literacy Committee will award a small grant to local and special interest councils for a Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project. This project must be done in conjunction with Title 1 schools. This grant will help support councils to bring literacy materials and books to students in these schools.

The Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project was started not only as a support program in a Title 1 school, but also to help bridge the "summer slide" of students. With that in mind, the Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Grant will be issued for a summer project as funds are available. Application deadline will be October 1, 2020. The grant will be awarded for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. In fairness to all, councils may apply for the Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project Grant every three years, beginning with the year following the year the grant was received. The guidelines and application forms are attached.

Grants will be scored on the attached criterion rubric. For more information or application form requests, contact:

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# READ, EAT, AND DISCOVER (R.E.A.D) PROJECT GRANT

## GUIDELINES

**PURPOSE:** The Illinois Reading Council's Family Literacy Committee will award a small grant to local and special interest councils to help support a Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project in a Title 1 school.

Note: Any joint effort with a school district or other agency, if it would fulfill the purpose stated above, is acceptable. The itemized budget needs to specifically describe expenditures.

### GUIDELINES:

1. The grant proposal will include the following items
  - a. A statement of purpose
  - b. A description of the Title 1 School
  - c. A description of the program
  - d. An itemized budget for the project's expenditures
  - e. A list of supplemental funds and sources needed for the project
  - f. A plan for publicizing the program
  - g. A specific format (rubric) for evaluation of and reflection on the success of the project
2. The local or special interest council will agree to acknowledge the Family Literacy Committee and the Illinois Reading Council as a co-sponsor on all publicity.
3. The council will submit a written report, which includes an itemized list of expenditures and an evaluation of the Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project within sixty (60) days.
4. The council will submit a short article about the Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project to the *IRC Communicator*.

**APPLICATION PROCESS:** Councils applying for grants should submit proposals to the Family Literacy Chairman by October 1, 2020.

**TIMELINE:** Proposals will be reviewed by the Family Literacy Chairman and Family Literacy Core committee members. Grants awarded will be for the summer of the fiscal year 2020 – 2021. Councils awarded the grant will not be eligible to apply for a grant until 2023.

**Family Literacy**  
**Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project Grant**  
**(Grants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021)**  
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**Program Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Council Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Council President Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Person** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Family Literacy  
Read, Eat, and Discover (R.E.A.D) Project Grant Application  
( Grants for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 )  
(Please Type)**

**I. Program Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**II. Statement of Purpose/Need:**

**III. Description of Title 1 School**

**IV. Description of Project (attach page if necessary)**

**V. An itemized budget for the project's expenditures**

**VI. A list of supplemental funds and sources needed for the project**

**VII. Plans for publicity:**

**VIII. A specific format (rubric) for evaluation of and reflection on the success of the project. Attach a copy of your evaluation form.**

**Send this completed form to:**

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