



Macon County Reading Council

Mission Statement

To provide support and leadership to all who promote and teach lifelong literacy.

Vision Statement

The Illinois Reading Council advocates quality literacy opportunities for all learners and serves as a primary organization that provides educators at all levels access to research, materials, and methodologies to promote and teach lifelong literacy and learning. Support of an active, well-organized system of local and special interest council and state committees provides a viable network for communication, exchange of information, and grass roots involvement of a diverse membership. The IRC's publications, special projects, conferences, and workshops stimulate personal and professional growth of educators.

Benefits for becoming an IRC/Macon Co. Member

- *Professional involvement (local and statewide)
- *Reduced rates to the Annual Illinois Reading Council Conference (October 5th-7th)
- *Illinois Reading Council Communicator (Quarterly)
- *Illinois Reading Council Journal (Quarterly)
- *Wired Wednesday (1 PD hr./per webinar 10 webinars throughout the year)
- *Online Book Club-15 PD hours
- *Danielson Evaluation-ALL DOMAINS
-Planning and Instruction, Classroom Environment, Instruction, and Professional Responsibilities
- *Activities to close to home-6 FREE PD Hours
- *Resources and Professional contacts available
- *Newsletters connect local professionals for networking

Upcoming Events-Macon County

September 6: IRC Kickoff: Donnie's Pizza-126 South Oakland Ave. Decatur...4pm-6pm

October 4-6: IRC Conference-Peoria Civic Center

October 18: IRC Book Club

Join educators from all over the state in an online book club! Choose one or two books!

Read, reflect on, and respond to *A Novel Approach* by Kate Roberts and/or *Writers ARE Readers* by Lester L. Laminack and Reba M. Wadsworth. These seven-week online discussions, beginning **OCTOBER 28, 2018**, will help you see the power of whole class novels to build a community in your classroom and/or how a readers' insights can provide awareness of their own writing. Participants who complete all assignments will be eligible to receive 15 PD hours for each book club

November 1st: The Social Emotional and Literacy-Arpeggio Winery-Pana...4pm-6pm (2PD hours-\$10 for non-members FREE to members)

January 24: Google Classroom presented by Shiela Rambo-Decatur Public Library...4pm-6pm (2PD hours-\$10 for non-members FREE to members)

April 4: Excellent Literacy Instruction in Domain 3 presented by Gail Huizinga-Decatur Public Library-4pm-6pm (2PD hours-\$10 for non-members FREE for members)

Macon County Board

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