

ILA Forum and Committee Reports

This form is to be completed by committee chairs/forum managers in collaboration with board liaisons. The ILA Executive Board will have meetings on the following dates in 2022-23: 9/22/22, 11/17/22, 1/12/23 (mid-year "mini meeting;" no report necessary unless you are requesting board action), 3/9/23, 5/25/23. Reports should be submitted two weeks before each board meeting to the board liaison, the ILA staff liaison, and emailed to <u>ila@ila.org</u>.

Forum or Committee: Advocacy Committee

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Activities underway or completed since the last report:

Advocacy Committee members updated the Ready, Set, Advocate presentation, including creating a version specifically for front line staff, in preparation for programs at Reaching Forward, Reaching Forward South, and the Illinois Youth Services Institute. The program at Reaching Forward South had a record number of attendees. All presentations were well-attended and received.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

A proposal will be submitted to present Ready, Set, Advocate at the Public Library Association Conference in Columbus, Ohio (April 3-5, 2024). Several members of the committee have expressed interest in presenting.

Questions or concerns that need to be addressed by the ILA Board: