



Illinois Library Association

### **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 [ila@ila.org](mailto:ila@ila.org).

Forum or Committee: iREAD

Report completed by: Donna Block

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Activities underway or completed since the last report:

During the past few months, the iREAD committee has been engaged primarily with gathering submissions for the 2024 resource guide. Resource guide coordinators Emily Mroczek and Lauren Pierce are pleased with the number of submissions they've received. Article submissions on topics related to the theme including the environment, endangered species, sustainability, and wellness will be accepted through April 1.

At our last meeting, on February 17, iREAD staff Rob Bagstad demonstrated product samples for the 2024 theme, so that committee members could give feedback.

Projected activities during the upcoming months:

During the upcoming months, 2025 iREAD chair Maisie Iven will work on filling open positions on the committee for 2023-24. 2024 chair Gretchen Schulz continues to coordinate with Rob Bagstad on the promotional products, and Jill Donovan on the artwork. Jill is also working with Maisie to select artists for 2025. The 2024 resource guide will be assembled and edited.

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

None at this time.