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[Phoenix registration is now open to members and non-members!](#) Attendance is limited, so register early.

[Standards for Reading Professionals](#) is under revision. Read more about the draft to be posted on November 1 for public comment.

The [Status of Reading Instruction Institute](#) is soliciting input from IRA members on the questions of most interest to teachers and researchers. Submit your question today!

Looking for affordable resources to support professional development? Check out IRA's collection for school-based PD.

[New IRA Insights](#) podcast! Listen to Elizabeth Moje discuss her ideas for a new approach to disciplinary literacy instruction at the middle and high school levels

## Announcements

IRA is currently accepting applications for the Certificate of Distinction award for programs that prepare individuals for initial licensure as classroom teachers

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Calling all teachers! IRA's [Author-Teacher partnerships in Phoenix](#) and [Minneapolis](#) are a great opportunity to team up with one of your favorite authors. Application deadlines approaching fast -- apply today!

[Reading Today Daily](#): Your source for news from the world of literacy

[6th Pan-African Reading for All Conference](#) requests program proposals by December 31, 2008 -- read more about the event

**IRA's Annual Convention 2009**  
Phoenix – February 21-25  
Minneapolis – May 3-7

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