

## Good Ideas for Your Right to Read Week Celebration!

### Start with a Theme:

Conduct a contest and invite students and staff to enter. A few years ago, students in Chillicothe City Schools selected a SPORTS theme. Include school symbols and parts of the mission statement. Have a committee or principal/superintendent decide on winning theme

### EUCLID CITY SCHOOLS READ!

Themes can be simple: Name of building or district +READS. In the past, Euclid City Schools used the names of four elementary schools, two middle schools the high school

Center.

And the Early Learning

*Arbor Reads!*

*Bluestone Reads!*

*Chardon Hills Reads!*

*Shoreview Reads!*

*Early Learning Center Reads!*

*Euclid High School Reads!*

*Central Middle School Reads!*

*Forest Park Middle School Reads!*

Create a new slogan or modify one used in your district or building

For Example: OCIRA does not have an annual Right to Read Theme but the Annual Conference theme (October 4, 2014) was "Change for a Common Cause: Recharging Teachers and Students" can be adapted.

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**G READERS: NOW,  
immer, For Your Lifetime**

and Reflect on Reading Skills Introduced or Improved. Common Core Standards. Testing.

OCIRA Sponsors the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual

OHIO RIGHT TO READ WEEK CELEBRATION , May 11 – 15, 2015

"READ AND CELEBRATE " -simple You are welcome to use the bookmark

Let's **READ** and  
**Celebrate**





Ohio Right to Read Week, May 11-15,  
2015

[www.ocira.org](http://www.ocira.org)

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**Activity READING BEGINS AT HOME**



**My Gift:**  
**Reading**  
**Time with**  
**Mom Coupon**

**Inside:**

**Let's read**  
**together for 20**  
**minutes each**  
**day. Remember**  
**when we read**  
**(title).**

A child's first teachers are in the home: Mother, Father, other family members. Start your Right to Read Celebration early. Mother's Day is May 10. In class, each child can design a special Mother's Day Card with coupon or gift certificate for **Time to Read and Talk Together.**

**Cover: design with original art, use computer for text and clip art. Use family photo.**

**Inside:** List titles of favorite books enjoyed at home. Thank Mom for help with homework or for bedtime stories. Write an original poem or find one that Mom will enjoy and include it in the card.

Treat Mom royally with breakfast in bed while the child reads the poem

Before the school year ends, children can design similar cards for Father's Day. Encourage Fathers to read with their children.

You do not have to wait until Mother's Day or Father's Day. Prepare the cards at an earlier time: Holidays in November or December. Or for parents birthdays.

**June 21**



**Inside:**

*Thanks for reading*  
*with me!*  
*Let's Read*  
*(title) again!*

Ohio Right to Read Week is a Wonderful Tradition!

Do you know that Ohio Right to Read Week is in the year: **MMXV?**

Use this shortcut for Ohio Right to Read Week  
**OH RIGHT 2 READ WEEK 4 EVER!**

Read for 2015 hours? 2015 Minutes! 2015 Pages.

**For 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration**  
**Read 38 Authors 38 Titles 38 minutes/day**

RIGHT TO READ WEEK DATES: “

MAY  TO MAY 15, 2015~

Did you have a literacy night for parents in September or October?

That event can count for one of the activities.

Did you have a book fair? That counts!

Do you decorate the building? Classroom Doors? Showcases? The Library? Cafeteria. You can set up a special reading area.

Do you

**January:** *Making New Years Resolution? Read, Read, Read More*  
*American Library Association announces winner of various book Awards.*  
*Read a winner.*

**HISTORY MONTH.**  
 *African American Read-In, sponsored by National Council of*  
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**Purpose:** To read and share materials written by African Americans between Feb 1 -28.  
As host, you can report your event to AARI to be included with participants throughout  
the World <http://www.ncte.org/aari>

**March:** Original *Ohio Right to Read Week* was scheduled the first full week of March. Some  
schools prefer to extend their celebration of **READ ACROSS AMERICA (National**  
**Education Association)** <http://www.readacrossamerica.org/> and the  
**Birthday of Dr. Seuss.**

<http://www.seussville.com/Educators/educatorReadAcrossAmerica.php>

From March 2 to an entire week.

**April:** National Poetry Month <http://www.poets.org/national-poetry-month/home>

National School Library Month <http://www.ala.org/aasl/slm/>

Various events: EARTHDAY, April 22, 2015

Shakespeare's Birthday (451 Years ago) Apr. 26 (Baptism, 1564) to

**April 23, 1616. Celebrate birthdays of other favorite authors!**

**May: OHIO RIGHT TO READ WEEK, MAY 11-15, 2015**

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Since 1992. OCIRA's Right to Read Committee moved the Celebration to May

1. To emphasize the importance of summer reading.
2. To eliminate conflict with testing schedules.
3. To serve as a culminating time to reflect on reading activities during the year.

At one time, the Children's Book Council celebrated NATIONAL CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK in November. First celebrated in 1919, this is the oldest literacy celebration.

May 4-10, 2015

. Beginning in 2016, Children's Book Week will be the second full week of May, so dates are

May 9-16, 2015

<http://bookweekonline.com/toolkit>

Get Caught Reading Month Welcome to **Get Caught Reading**, a nationwide campaign to remind people of all ages how much fun it is to read. Launched in 1999 and supported by the Association of American Publishers, GCR encourages you to order our free posters, read our newsletters, download our free videos, and join the thousands of celebrities, booksellers, teachers and librarians who continue to embrace this campaign across the country.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK May 4-8, 2015 sponsored by National Education Association.

<http://www.nea.org/grants/teacherday.html>

**From NEA for National  
Teacher Day, May 6,  
2015**

**IF YOU LOVE TO  
READ #  
ThankATeacher**

[nea.org/teacherday](http://nea.org/teacherday)