

## **OUTSTANDING KANSAS READING EDUCATOR AWARD GUIDELINES:**

### **1. Eligibility:**

- \*Educators of preschool through college, at public, private, parochial, vocational technical, community colleges, junior colleges, and universities.
- \*Minimum of three years membership in KRA.
- \*Minimum of ten years in the field of education.

### **2. Criteria:**

- \*Nominee has made a special contribution/achievement in the area of reading.
- \*The nominee must be outstanding in one or more of the following areas:
  - Fosters appreciation for reading/literature.
  - Uses exemplary techniques/strategies in reading instruction.
  - Conducts reading instruction to meet special needs of students.
  - Provides leadership for improving reading instruction.
  - Implements innovative reading programs for students.

### **3. Nominating Procedure:**

- \* Approval of nominee by local council.
- \*Collect data to verify contributions/achievements of nominee. This data can be letters of support. (Limit to 4 letters – one from each of the following categories: administrator, colleague, student or parent, and KRA local council that nominee is a member of.)
- \*Signature of nominee on application form to confirm KRA membership and experience in teaching.
- \*Submit information to the Chairperson of the Outstanding Kansas Reading Educator committee by deadline.

### **4. Deadline:**

**All nominations must be submitted by June 15 and mailed to** Janelle Riedy, Box 62, Hope, KS 67451. The award will be presented at the annual KRA Conference.

**\*\* Nomination of an individual for this award will count as two optional items on the Sunflower Merit Award. \*\***