



NFRW LITERACY & EDUCATION AWARD

The NFRW Literacy and Education Committee is excited to announce the inaugural Literacy and Education Award. Increasing educational standards, eliminating Social Emotional Learning and CRT/DEI in our schools and curriculums, and strengthening parental rights are fast becoming some of the most important topics in our country. We believe that our clubs are in the right place to oversee these trends and actively participate in shaping our children's futures. This award is designed to encourage each club and state federation to maintain a Literacy and Education Committee and to work towards success by getting involved and following the criteria listed on the form. The 2024-2025 state award recipients will be recognized at the 43rd NFRW Biennial Convention in Orlando, Florida.

Each individual club should complete and submit a CLUB REPORTING FORM to their state federation by June 1, 2025.

Each state federation should complete and submit a STATE REPORTING FORM to the NFRW Literacy and Education Committee (ValeriePfundstein@gmail.com) by June 30, 2025:

1. Count all of the forms you have received from your state clubs. Your total should never be more than that number for each horizontal row.
2. Total the number of checkmarks for each horizontal row on CLUB REPORTING FORMS and write that number on your STATE REPORTING FORM. Please put ZERO if no club in the state put a checkmark on their sheets so we are aware it was not overlooked.
3. This state award is based on the percentage of clubs that have participated in the activities listed. State federations do not need to figure out the percentages for each criteria. The NFRW Literacy and Education Committee will do that.
4. Awards will be given at the 43rd NFRW Biennial Convention, to be held in Orlando September 25-28, 2025. We will determine the award recipients based on the percentages of clubs participating within a state.

Award Notes

1. The NFRW Literacy and Education Committee encourages clubs and federations to review and consider using books from the Mamie Eisenhower Library Project (MELP) list that the Committee put together, but it is not a requirement for this award. The MELP list contains book suggestions, and each club may opt to select a book from the list or titles that may better suit each individual club. The Committee is frequently adding books to the list, and welcomes new ideas.
2. Book donations can be made to organizations of any kind that your clubs feel need them to further NFRW's mission.
3. We all know funds are limited, so creating a book donation program to honor club members who have passed away is permitted and encouraged as an avenue for donating.
4. The Committee created two different categories: ATTENDING school board meetings and SPEAKING at school board meetings, because there is a difference. If one of your members has the courage to go up and make a statement representing your club, that is an additional check mark.
5. Feel free to contact Committee members to get clarification on any of the criteria or to invite us to do a Zoom call to brainstorm ideas. We are excited to help develop Literacy and Education Committees at the club and state federation levels.



NFRW Literacy and Education Award: CLUB REPORTING FORM

Club Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Contact Email: _____

Please place a checkmark in column if club completed activity:

<i>Please place a checkmark in column if club completed activity:</i>	✓
Mamie Eisenhower Library Project (MELP): donated books to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
Dictionary Project: donated dictionaries to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
U. S. Constitution: donated copies of U.S. Constitution to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
Faith-based book donations: donated faith-based literature to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
Book Clubs: read books in groups of Federated women (<i>book clubs</i>)	
Book Clubs: read books to groups-schools, church groups, etc.	
Speakers: authors as speakers at meetings (<i>live or recorded</i>)	
Speakers: members spoke regarding education and literacy to outside organizations	
Speakers: State Federation / NFRW presentations regarding education and literacy	
Literacy and Education: have a Literacy and Education Committee	
Teacher of the Year: selected a local educator for Teacher of the Year	
School Boards: members attended School Board Meetings	
School Boards: members spoke at School Board Meetings	
School Boards: members serve on local School Boards	

For award consideration, clubs should submit completed forms to the state federation by June 1, 2025.



NFRW Literacy and Education Award: STATE REPORTING FORM

State Federation: _____
Contact Name: _____
Contact Phone: _____
Contact Email: _____
of local clubs: _____

<i>What number of your state clubs completed each activity?</i>	# of clubs
Mamie Eisenhower Library Project: donated books to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
Dictionary Project: donated dictionaries to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
U. S. Constitution: donated copies of U.S. Constitution to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
Faith-based book donations: donated faith-based literature to schools, libraries, and other organizations	
Book Clubs: read books in groups of Federated women (<i>book clubs</i>)	
Book Clubs: read books to groups-schools, church groups, etc.	
Speakers: authors as speakers at meetings (<i>live or recorded</i>)	
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Literacy and Education: have a Literacy and Education Committee	
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School Boards: members attended School Board Meetings	
School Boards: members spoke at School Board Meetings	
School Boards: members serve on local School Boards	
State Teacher of the Year: selected an educator for State Teacher of the Year	
State Federation has a Literacy and Education Committee	

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