





Hello, Everyone

My name is Lynn Humphrey, administrator/owner of BizEturtle:Events in Monmouth, www.bizeturtle.com. The website and weekly bulletin of events happening in Monmouth County, NJ, that reaches more than 10, 000, which includes over 300 media contacts, by weaving it's way through the internet stopping off at Facebook, Twitter, Linked In and so many other social places.

I am writing to ask if any of the schools here in Monmouth County will be holding a National African American Read In here in Monmouth County during February 2014

Let's start a Train of Reading and fill up the month of February with a place to go from the tippy top of Monmouth County to the bitter end. From North to South and East to West to hear everyone from ages 3-100 reading the works of noted African American Authors, Poets, Playwrights, etc Let's get everyone we know to Hop on The Train of Learning

> NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN READ-IN The Twenty-Fourth National African American Read-In Sponsored by the Black Caucus of NCTE and NCTE

In February 2014, you may hold an African American Read-In event any day of the month Friday, February 1-Thursday, February 28, 2014 Schools, churches, libraries, bookstores, community and professional organizations, and interested citizens are urged to make literacy a significant part of Black History Month by hosting and coordinating Read-Ins in their communities. Hosting a Read-In can be as simple as bringing together friends to share a book, or as elaborate as arranging public readings and media presentations that feature professional African American writers.

To be counted as participants, simply:

*Select books authored by African Americans; *Hold your event during the month of February; and *Report your results by submitting the 2014 African American Read-In Report Card. The Read-In has been endorsed by the International Reading Association. Over a million readers of all ethnic groups from the United States, the District of Columbia, the West Indies, African countries, and more have participated. The goal is to make the celebration of African American literacy a traditional part of Black History Month activities.

For further info, <u>Visit National Council of Tears of English</u>

http://www.ncte.org/action/aari/packetinfo or call or write Felise Jones, fjones@ncte.org Administrative Liaison Specialist, NCTE 800-369-6283, x 3632

If you do hold an event or have any other questions, please let me know lynn@bizeurtle.com 732-759-0485

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