

## America Reads Advisory Board

The America Reads Advisory Board program was established to offer students who are passionate about America Reads a chance to help guide the program within its given constraints. As such, A-board members help the coordinator plan training sessions, help with recruiting activities, interviewing and most importantly planning effective reflection sessions. Members are paid for the meetings they attend but are not paid for work outside of meetings. These are voluntary leadership experiences. In order for the board to be effective it is important that members participate in the meetings and share ideas that they feel could strengthen the program and enhance the tutoring experience for tutors. All those who are interested in joining the Advisory Board should attend an Advisory Board meeting.

All Student Liaisons are Advisory Board members. There is one liaison serving each of the ten partner schools. In order to be effective, this board usually is no larger than 15 students, so it typically consists of the ten liaisons as well as 5 students who are not currently serving as liaisons. If you are interested in being a liaison, please go to the liaison application posted on the website. Otherwise, please answer the question below and send to the coordinator by March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Those selected to be A-board members for 2011-2012 will be expected to attend an off-campus retreat on April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2-5 pm. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Michele at [doranm@denison.edu](mailto:doranm@denison.edu).

A sample contract is attached so that you have a clear picture of expectations. Currently meetings are every other Thursday from 11:30-12:30. Every effort will be made to avoid this time next year as the University would like to preserve this time for campus wide reflection.

### ESSAY FOR THOSE STUDENTS NOT APPLYING FOR LIAISON POSITIONS:

Please identify and share your thoughts regarding an issue within the America Reads program that you would like to address as an A-Board member. (300 words or less)

**America Reads Advisory Board Contract  
2011-2012**

Please read the following and sign below.

- I am committed to being a part of Advisory Board and to attending meetings held TBA. I understand that if I am no longer able to commit to this board, I must notify the coordinator at once. I will notify the coordinator if I am unable to attend.
- As a member of Advisory Board, I understand that I am a role model for other tutors. This means that I will strive for excellent attendance both in tutoring and at reflection sessions. I will uphold all responsibilities of America Reads tutors.
- Members are paid to attend Advisory Board meetings. Members are not paid for the work they do outside of the meetings if they volunteer to lead a special project, conduct interviews, or engage in recruitment activities, etc. Those duties are volunteer leadership experiences.

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Advisory Board member

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Date

