

READERS ARE LEADERS (RAL) PROGRAM & CRITERIA 2013/2014

<i>EVENT</i>	<i>DATE</i>
Meeting with RAL Board	Wednesday, August 21, 2013 (5:30pm)
Meeting with RAL School representatives	Wednesday, August 28, 2013 (5:30pm)
E-BOOK WORKSHOP (for Teachers)	TBA
LAUNCHING OF RAL PROGRAM	Thursday, September 19, 2012 (6pm)
E- LIBRARY WORKSHOP (for Students and Parents)	Thursday, October 3, 2013 (6pm)
Quiz & Poetry Evening in celebration of St. Maarten's Day 2013 (HIGH SCHOOL)	Thursday, November 14 , 2013 (6pm)
Quiz & BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM (HIGHSCHOOLS)	Thursday, February 13, 2014 (6pm)
POETRY EVENING	Thursday, March 7, 2014 (6pm)
AWARD CEREMONY	Thursday, March 21, 2014 (6pm)

2013-2014 Theme:

The theme for this year's Readers Are Leaders Program is: **"A New Beginning"**

School Curriculum:

Integrate the **theme** in the Language curriculum, school assembly etc.

- Getting students to write speeches, engage in debates about the theme
- Inviting Guest Speakers to discuss theme

RAL Board:

- The school representative needs to nominate **three (3)** students to form the RAL Board for 2012-2013.

RAL Criteria:

1. The Reader are Leaders Program will commence on **September 19, 2013**, and will conclude on **March 21, 2014**.
2. All High School students can participate in the campaign
3. Participants have to read a minimum of **seven (7) books by March 14, 2014**.
4. At least **two** of the books have to be **non-fiction books** and about Leaders.
5. Participants have to choose their books from the Readers are Leaders collection, the Teenagers and adult section of the Library, or books from your school English Language curriculum.

6. Criteria for Participants Who Register at the Philipsburg Jubilee Library:

- a. Participants will have to fill out a **question form** about **each** book they read.
- b. The responses can be typed (double-spaced) or written.
- c. It needs to be enclosed in a folder.
- d. Illustrations / picture (photography) can be included
- e. Question forms will have to be submitted by the *last Friday of each month*.
- f. Completed question forms have to be submitted at the **Information Desk** of the library.
- g. Participants can earn extra points by engaging in discussions on **Face Book** at the **Readers are Leaders** page.
- h. Participants will be required to produce an original, artistic piece (dance, rap, poetry, song, or painting) based on their interpretation of the selected book that they have read.
- i. The first participants who finish **five (5)** books will receive a **prize**.
- j. The participants who **earned the most points** at the end of the campaign and have the most creative portfolio will receive a **special prize**.

7. Criteria for Participants Who Register at a Secondary School:

1. Read a minimum of seven (7) books before the month of March 'Literacy Month' (*which are part of the school's English Language curriculum, or books from the Readers are Leaders' Book list*).
2. Participate in discussions on the 'Readers are Leaders Face Book page'.
3. Participate in at least one (1) of these extra curricula reading activities:
 - a. Being a member of the Readers Are Leaders (RAL) Board
 - b. Participating in the Reading or Book Club at the school
 - c. Reading or assisting children with reading at an Afterschool program
 - d. Tutoring fellow classmates or others for the subject of English
 - e. Participating in the Poetry Evening or Black History Month Program (development of original poems, stories, skits)
 - f. Participating in at least one (1) Readers are Leaders Quiz (Black History or St. Maarten's Day)