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Charter School of Educational Excellence Reading Program Outstanding in New York

NEWARK, DELAWARE, USA— Charter School of Educational Excellence in Yonkers, New York is winner of the 2010 International Reading Association's (IRA) Exemplary Reading Program Award. Charter School of Educational Excellence will receive its award at IRA's 55th Annual Convention in Chicago, Illinois at the Council Awards Ceremony, Sunday, April 25, 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the McCormick Lakeside Center. The selected schools are examples to other schools of literacy approaches, programs, and creative education techniques that work.

The exemplary literacy program at the Charter School of Educational Excellence truly exemplifies an outstanding educational environment devoted to creating empowered lifelong readers and writers, despite the obstacle of poverty. The school's mission is to meet and exceed all New York state learning and performance standards and to provide a safe, nurturing, academically rich environment for all students by fostering a strong partnership with families in Yonkers and the surrounding community. Charter School of Educational Excellence was recently cited for overall improvement in learning and achievement by the New York State Board of Regents. Established in 2005, the charter school currently serves kindergarten through sixth grade.

Contact Principal Catalina Castillo at 914-476-5070 for more information about the school's reading program. For information about the New York State Reading Association contact President Susan Smith at vinsue@midtel.net. Shirley Morton, at smorton@reading.org, can provide additional details about the Exemplary Reading Program Award.

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