

College of Education

Alumni Society Awards Description and Criteria

The college of Education Alumni Society supports four alumni awards which are presented each year to graduates who have distinguished themselves in their profession.

EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

This award is the highest honor bestowed upon an alumnus of the College of Education. Selection is made on the basis of significant contributions to the field of education. Specific criteria include: (1) Nominee must be employed full-time in the field of education; (2) Nominee must be a graduate of the College of Education (certification, baccalaureate, or advanced degree).

OUTSTANDING TEACHING

This award recognizes the practitioner—the classroom teacher. Selection is made on the basis of overall excellence in teaching methodologies, knowledge of subject matter, and ability to inspire students. Specific criteria include: (1) Nominee must be employed full-time in the teaching profession; (2) Nominee must be a graduate of the College of Education (certification, baccalaureate, or advanced degree).

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

This award recognizes those alums who have distinguished themselves in their chosen professions, in or out of the field of education. Selection is made on the basis of leadership and service within a career, a community, or to society in general. Specific criteria include: (1) Achievement in a chosen field, in a community, or in society; (2) Nominee must be a graduate of the College of Education (certification, baccalaureate, or advanced degree).

OUTSTANDING NEW GRADUATE

This award, initiated in 1994, is to recognize recent graduates who have distinguished themselves in their new careers. Selection is made on the basis of an individual's advancement and excellence in a new job, in or out of the field of education. Specific criteria include: (1) Outstanding contributions to and achievements in a new job; (2) Nominees must be graduates of the College of Education (baccalaureate) within five years of the date of nomination

Nomination materials must include the following in order to be considered complete:

- Nomination Form
- Candidate's vita or resume
- One letter from the nominator
- One letter from the candidate's immediate supervisor
- Two additional letters of support

All nomination materials must be sent to the address below:

The Penn State College of Education
Attn: Alumni Society Awards
247 Chambers Building
University Park, PA 16802-3206
814.863.2216

College of Education
Alumni Society Awards Nomination Form

Award Name: _____

Candidate Information

Name: _____

Email: _____ Home Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

Job Title: _____

Business Email: _____ Business Phone: _____

Business Address: _____

Education from Penn State (Include degree and grad year)

Nominator Information

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship to the nominee: _____

Email Address: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____
