LCSC Division of Education & Kinesiology

Outstanding Educator Award Program

Description

The Outstanding Educator Award was created to recognize individuals for their contributions to education. They are individuals who have provided outstanding service to the cause of education through their dedication, creativity, initiative, service, inspiration, and contribution to the improvement of education.

Nominations are not limited to teachers but may include administrators, para-professionals, aides, secretaries, custodians, food service employees, playground monitors, crossing guards, etc.

Award Selection Committee

The Outstanding Educator Award is decided by a selection committee composed of members of the Lewis-Clark State College Teacher Education program faculty and representatives from elementary, middle/junior, and secondary schools represented in school districts in and surrounding Regions I and II.

Committee Composition:

- LCSC Elementary Program Coordinator
- LCSC Secondary Program Coordinator
- Elementary School (P-8) Representative from Idaho (Region-I or -II) or Washington School District*
- Middle/Junior High School (6-8) Representative from Idaho (Region-I or -II) or Washington School District*
- Secondary School (6-12) Representative from Idaho (Region-I or -II) or Washington School District*

Idaho Region-I School Districts

St. Maries, Plummer/Worley, West Bonner County, Lake Pend Oreille, Boundary County, Coeur d’Alene, Coeur d’Alene Charter Academy, Lakeland, Post Falls, Kootenai, Kellogg, Mullan, Wallace, Avery, Kootenai Bridge Academy, North Idaho Stem Charter Academy, Forrest M. Bird Charter Academy

Idaho Region-II School Districts

Orofino, Cottonwood, Moscow, Genesee, Kendrick, Potlatch, Whitepine, Troy, Nezperce, Kamiah, Highland, Lewiston, Lapwai, Culdesac, Idaho Distance Learning Academy, Salmon River, Mountain View

Washington School Districts

Asotin, Clarkston

* Invitations will be extended to three school districts per year from the lists above. Representatives will be asked to serve on the award committee for one year.
**Nomination Process**

Nominations will be accepted from P-12 students. A student may nominate an outstanding educator by completing a nomination form and submitting it to a designated mail or email address (please see attached nomination form).

The program will be advertised by sending flyers to participating schools, by contacting superintendents, building administrators, and teachers and encouraging them to share the program with their students, and through a coordinated marketing effort with the Director of Communications at LCSC (i.e. press release, website presence, etc.).

**Award Process**

Two (Fall and Spring) awards will be given each academic year based upon the following calendar:

- **Fall Award:** Nominations accepted September-November. Award (plaque) presented in December at a school assembly.
- **Spring Award:** Nominations accepted March-May. Award (plaque) presented in June assembly.

The two educators selected will be invited to participate in an *LC Connections* episode to be taped in June. In addition, winners will be showcased on the Division of Education & Kinesiology website. In addition to the LCSC Director of Communications, local press (LM Tribune and KLEW news) will be invited to attend the award ceremonies.