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Request for Nominations

2021 Dr. Edward Shirley Award For Excellence in Educational Administration and Supervision

Submission Deadline: January 11, 2021 by 4:00 pm

Overview

The Dr. Edward Shirley Award for Excellence in Educational Administration and Supervision is an annual award presented by the Montgomery County Association of Administrators and Principals (MCAAP) with the support of the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) to recognize an outstanding administrator or supervisor of the Montgomery County Public Schools. ***This includes principals, assistant principals, school business administrators, directors, supervisors and other administrative and supervisory positions within the MCAAP/MCBOA unit.***

This award was established in June 2003 to honor Dr. Edward Shirley, an educator who dedicated his career to service on behalf of students, staff, parents and the greater community for over 30 years in the Montgomery County Public Schools. He committed his time and talents to the profession of educational leadership and served as the first full-time president of MCAAP. The recipient of this award shall exemplify the elements of commitment and leadership exhibited by Dr. Shirley.

The award will be presented at the *Champions for Children Gala* in April and also at MCAAP's Spring Membership Meeting. The recognition in April will be accompanied by the announcement of the Teacher of the Year and Outstanding Supporting Service Employee of the Year. The recipient's name will be engraved on the commemorative plaque prominently displayed at the MCAAP Office.

Requirements for Consideration

To be considered for this award, a nominee must satisfy two basic requirements. The nominee must be a:

- ☒ Montgomery County administrator or supervisor for at least five years
- ☒ Current voting member of MCAAP (contact MCAAP if you are unsure of nominee's MCAAP status)

Nomination Criteria

A nominee for this award shall exhibit the highest qualities in the following categories:

- **Purposeful leadership:** communicates personal core values and instills in others a strong sense of purpose
- **Instructional leadership or systemwide leadership:** facilitates the implementation and maintenance of exemplary instructional/operational practices with demonstrated commitment to staff and students
- **Human resources development:** recognizes, identifies, and fosters potential in others
- **Resource management:** exercises sound judgment and creativity in the development and use of available resources
- **Interpersonal skills:** communicates with others in a respectful, effective and open manner
- **Professional involvement:** participates in the activities of and provides service to the profession and association including awards, honors, and achievements
- **Community and stakeholder involvement:** participates in and provides support to stakeholders within and beyond the school community

Nomination and Selection Process

Nominations may be submitted by administrators, supervisors, other MCPS staff, and community organizations. Self-nominations will also be accepted. The nomination process includes submission of a completed nomination packet by the nominator(s).

The Award Selection Committee will be composed of nine members: five representatives of MCAAP's chapter membership and one member from MCEA, SEIU Local 500, MCCPTA, and Executive Staff. The Selection Committee will review eligible nominations and choose finalists for further review based on the nomination criteria outlined above. The Selection Committee will conduct site visits and individual interviews with each of the finalists.

If the nomination is not a self-nomination, the nomination packet may be completed by someone else without notice or acceptance by the nominee. If the nominee is selected as a finalist, the Selection Committee will notify the nominee prior to the site visit.

The award recipient will be notified in late February.

Required Documents for Nomination Packet

Below is a list of documents to be submitted with the nomination packet. Only requested items should be included with the submission. All required documents **must be submitted together as a pdf or hardcopy** and **received by MCAAP by 4:00 pm on January 11, 2021**. Scanned documents may be submitted as pdfs but please do not submit any documents as photos or in jpg format. Documents submitted as photos or jpgs will not be accepted.

- Completed nomination form
- Supporting written documentation (see application for details)
- Minimum of three (3) letters supporting the nomination. Letters should be from three (3) different categories of colleagues, associates or friends. No more than ten (10) letters of support will be accepted
- Current professional resume

For additional information contact MCAAP's Executive Director Jean Rosen at 301-762-8174 or jrosen@mcaapmd.org

Nomination Form

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Please complete the form below and submit with the required documents to nominate an individual (or self-nominate) for the 2021 Dr. Edward Shirley Award for Excellence in Educational Administration and Supervision. Nomination packets **must be received by MCAAP by 4:00 pm on January 11, 2021**. The nomination packet must be submitted in its entirety at one time. Only completed nomination packets received by the deadline will be considered.

Items to be included in Nomination Packet - must be submitted at one time:

- ☐ Completed Nomination Form (below)
- ☐ Supporting written documentation
(see next page for details)
- ☐ Professional resume
- ☐ Minimum of three (3) letters of support

About the Nominee

Nominee's Name _____ Position _____

Work Location _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Number of years nominee has been an MCPS Administrator and/or Supervisor: _____

Is the nominee a voting member of MCAAP? ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ do not know

Note: Only voting members of MCAAP are eligible for this award. If you are not certain of the nominee's MCAAP status, please contact MCAAP prior to completing a nomination packet.

About the Nominator

Nominator's Name: _____

Nominator's Title (if applicable) _____

Nominator's Work Location _____

Nominator's Email _____

Nominator's Preferred Phone # _____

Date of Submission _____ Nominator's signature _____

Nominator's relationship to nominee:

- ☐ Self-nomination ☐ Colleague ☐ Staff ☐ Supervisor
- ☐ Parent ☐ Community Member
- ☐ Other (please specify) _____

Additional Required Documentation for Inclusion in Nomination Packet

1. Supporting Written Documentation

Provide a written narrative focusing on the nominee's highest qualities in the seven Educational Leadership categories identified below. Each category is equally important and should be identified in the written documentation. The use of data is encouraged but not required.

The written documentation must be typed in 12 point, single-spaced, single-sided and must not exceed six (6) pages. Categories 1- 5 should be presented in narrative form. Categories 6 and 7 (Professional Involvement and Community or Stakeholder Involvement) may be presented in a list or bulleted format.

Seven Educational Leadership Categories for inclusion in written documentation:

1. Purposeful Leadership: communicates personal core values and instills in others a strong sense of purpose
2. Instructional Leadership or Systemwide Leadership: facilitates the implementation and maintenance of exemplary instructional /operational practices with demonstrated commitment to staff and students
3. Human Resources Development: recognizes, identifies, and fosters potential in others
4. Resource Management: exercises sound judgment and creativity in the development and use of available resources
5. Interpersonal Skills: communicates with others in a respectful, effective and open manner
6. Professional Involvement: participates in the activities of and provides service to the profession and association including awards, honors, and achievements
7. Community and Stakeholder Involvement: participates in and provides support to stakeholders within and beyond the school community

2. Resume

A current professional resume of no more than two pages with the nominee's educational credentials and employment history must be included. Any parts of the resume which address the educational leadership qualities included in the supporting written narrative described above should supplement and not duplicate the previous information.

3. Letters of Support

Three (3) letters of support for this nomination must be included. The letters should be drawn from three different categories such as colleague, community member, associate or friend. One of the three letters can be from the nominator. No more than ten (10) letters of support will be accepted.

Submission of Nomination Packet – Must Be Received by MCAAP by 4:00 pm on January 11, 2021

The entire nomination packet **must be received by MCAAP by 4:00 pm January 11, 2021 via email, fax, Pony or hand delivery**. Please make sure all documents are very legible (including scanned and faxed documents). **All documents must be submitted together as a pdf or hardcopy**. Please **do not submit any documents as photos or in jpg format**. Only the requested documents should be included (nomination form, written narrative, resume, letters of support).

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