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Dear School Board Members and Superintendents:

The San Diego County School Boards Association (SDCSBA) and the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Region 18 are pleased to bring you the 20th Annual "Honoring Our Own" Awards Celebration.

The 2022 Honoring Our Own Awards Event is scheduled for May 7, 2022. We are excited to announce that this year's event is being planned as an in person event at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina! Please nominate a deserving education champion for one of the following award categories:

- ★ Staff Member
- ★ Community Partner
- ★ Parent Volunteer
- ★ 1st Term School Board Member
- ★ School Board Member
- ★ Confidential or Administrative Staff Member

Below, you will find the instructions for submitting a nomination(s) and the criteria for each award category. Nominations are due no later than Friday, January 28, 2022. We look forward to hearing about the nominees from your district.

We expect many educational leaders and friends of the educational community to attend our recognition event on behalf of our awardees. Please join us for this wonderful occasion to celebrate the accomplishments that make our vocation so rewarding!

Respectfully,

Darshana Patel

President

If you have any questions, contact:

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20th Annual Evening of the Stars

Honoring Our Own

Nomination Instructions

You have **two options** to submit your nominations:

Option 1: Click on the following link to submit a nomination through a Google form. Submit one form for each nominee.

<https://forms.gle/EMB8MHGAEoQmdBVe8>

OR

Option 2: Submit your nomination by using the 'Nomination Entry' (attached) and sending it via email to:

SDCSBA@sdcoe.net or fax (858) 268-5864.

All nominations must be received by

FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2022

Late submissions will not be considered.

Description of the award categories are located on the pages following the entry form.



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NOMINATION ENTRY - Deadline to submit: January 28, 2022

The following **MUST** be submitted along with the Nomination Entry form:

1. Nomination letter introducing the nominee and noting specific achievements, accomplishments and reasons for the nomination. Word limit of 400 words.
2. A headshot **high resolution** photo of nominee (Please note: this will not be used in selecting awardee; photo will be used in the HOO event materials in the event the nominee is selected as an awardee)
3. A **high resolution** school district or agency logo of nominee. You may also submit up to two (2) additional pages of supporting documents (such as newspaper articles and letters of support), per nominee.
4. Please email Nomination Entry form and all supporting documents to Carmen Aguilar at SDCSBA@sdcoe.net.

Check Award Nomination:

<input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member	<input type="checkbox"/> 1st Term School Board Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Partner	<input type="checkbox"/> School Board Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Parent Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/> Confidential or Administrative Staff Member

AWARD NOMINEE:

Name of Nominee:	
School District/Agency:	
District/Agency Address:	
City:	ZIP:
Email:	Phone:

NOMINATED BY:

Name/Title:	
School District:	
District/Agency Address:	
City:	ZIP:
Email:	Phone:

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

Individual trustees bring unique skills, values and beliefs to their board. In order to govern effectively, individual trustees must work with each other and the superintendent to ensure each student receives a high quality education.

We have rigorous standards for what we expect our students to know and be able to do; it is important to model these high expectations through standards of our own.

CRITERIA: A nominee for **School Board Member of the Year** should be a member of any school board in San Diego County who demonstrates exemplary performance in the following standards:

- ✓ Keeps learning and achievement for all students as the primary focus.
- ✓ Provides community leadership on educational issues and advocates on behalf of students and public education at the local, state and federal level.
- ✓ Recognizes and respects differences of perspective and style on the board and among staff, students, parents and the community.
- ✓ Participates in professional development and commits the time and energy necessary to be an informed and effective leader.
- ✓ Understands that authority rests with the board as a whole and not with individuals.
- ✓ Demonstrates creativity and innovation in dealing with issues.



CONFIDENTIAL / ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF MEMBER

Confidential/administrative employees are often the glue that holds a school district together. Usually working behind the scenes, these employees deal with issues having the potential to be a distraction from student learning. This category provides an opportunity to recognize a confidential or administrative staff member who, by working diligently, has made a difference to ensure the district stays focused on our primary responsibility, our students and their education.

CRITERIA: A nominee for **Confidential / Administrative Staff Member of the Year** should be a confidential/administrative employee of any school district in San Diego County who demonstrates exemplary performance in the following standards:

- ✓ Keeps the district vision and mission in mind and in focus at all times.
- ✓ Provides community leadership on educational issues and advocates for ALL students.
- ✓ Contributes to the success of students and the district by collaborating with the board and all district staff in a positive manner, respecting diversity and different perspectives and points of view.
- ✓ Contributes to the success of students through participating in continuous personal growth and development.
- ✓ Contributes to the success of students by avocation, nurturing and sustaining a positive work environment.

PARENT VOLUNTEER

Parent volunteers serve endless hours in a variety of ways that enrich and improve the educational experience of all children. This category provides an opportunity for recognizing a parent volunteer that embraces the tenet "ALL children are our children" in their volunteer efforts.

CRITERIA: A nominee for **Parent Volunteer of the Year** should be a parent volunteer in any school district in San Diego County who has demonstrated exemplary support for their local school(s):

- ✓ Has had a positive impact on student achievement and learning.
- ✓ Has effectively collaborated with parent, education and community leaders.
- ✓ Has sought and helped develop innovative solutions to the complex challenges facing public schools.
- ✓ Has broad support and demonstrates active involvement in the school community.

1st TERM SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

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CRITERIA: A nominee for **1st Term School Board Member of the Year** is a member of any school board in San Diego County who is serving their first term and demonstrates exemplary performance in the following standards:

- ✓ Keeps learning and achievement for all students as the primary focus.
- ✓ Provide community leadership on educational issues and advocate on behalf of students and public education at the local, state and federal level.
- ✓ Recognizes and respects differences of perspective and style on the board and among staff, students, parents and the community.
- ✓ Participates in professional development and commits the time and energy necessary to be an informed and effective leader.
- ✓ Understands that authority rests with the board as a whole and not with individuals.
- ✓ Demonstrates creativity and innovation in dealing with issues and problems facing public education.



STAFF MEMBER

Certificated and classified staff members are often unsung heroes. This category provides an opportunity for recognizing a staff member who, in the course of their daily interaction with students, has made an impact that profoundly affects the lives of today's youth.

CRITERIA: A nominee for **Staff Member of the Year** should be a non-administrative staff member of any school district in San Diego County who has demonstrated exemplary support for their local schools:

- ✓ Contributes to the success of all students by participating in the development, articulation and/ or implementation of a vision that promotes high expectations for all students.
- ✓ Contributes to the success of all students by advocating, nurturing and sustaining a positive school culture.
- ✓ Contributes to the success of all students by collaborating with families and community members and responding to their diverse needs.
- ✓ Contributes to the success of all students by participating in continuous professional growth and development.
- ✓ Contributes to the success of all students through exceptional leadership in developing and/or managing school programs.

COMMUNITY PARTNER

Members of the community, from individuals to corporations, serve a vital role in the delivery of educational services in our public schools. These stalwart contributors of valuable resources of time and financial support realize that educating a child is, indeed, the business of us all.

CRITERIA: A nominee for **Community Partner of the Year** should be a member of any school district community in San Diego County who has demonstrated exemplary support for their local schools:

- ✓ Has had a positive impact on student achievement and learning.
- ✓ Has effectively collaborated with education and community leaders.
- ✓ Has sought and helped develop innovative solutions to the complex challenges facing public schools.
- ✓ Has broad support and demonstrates active involvement in the community.

