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2017 - 2018 Application Form

WOEA Education Support Professional of the Year Award

Some years ago, support staff were not members of the Ohio Education Association. Today, OEA/WOEA Education Support Professional members are actively involved in the Association, in bargaining, political action, community organizing, and school restructuring efforts, as partners with their teacher colleagues.

Once a year, WOEa/OEA/NEA members join school districts and communities on National Education Support Professional Day to honor the many dedicated education support staff around the nation. The WOEa Board of Directors approved a special annual honor, the WOEa Education Support Professional of the Year Award, to further emphasize the contributions of education support professionals to their schools, communities, and all education workers.

WOEA will present the Education Support Professional Award to a WOEa member whose activities reflect the contributions of education support professionals to public education. Recipients will receive a monetary award in the amount of \$1000.

The award will be presented at the Spring WOEa Representative Assembly. For additional information, please contact the WOEa office: For additional information, please contact the WOEa office at 937-339-9509 /1-800-598-9632 or at woea@woea.org.

Note: The completed official application from for the WOEa Education Support Professional of the Year Award must be returned on or before the deadline:

January 15, 2018

WOEA Education Support Professional of the Year

Nomination Form

Criteria

The purpose of the WOEa Education Support Professional Award is to recognize an individual who shows outstanding accomplishments in one or more of the following areas:

- **Professional Practice:** Describe the worksite responsibilities and personal achievements the nominee has made in his/her classification or field. How has the nominee demonstrated leadership, creativity, and innovation at the worksite? How has his/her professional growth made a difference for the school, the students, and the community?
- **Advocacy and Association Involvement:** In what ways does the nominee serve as an advocate in the day-to-day educational process, for members, for the profession, and for public education? Has the nominee's involvement in WOEa contributed to his/her success as a professional? How would he/she persuade a new colleague to join or become more active in the association?
- **Community Engagement:** Specify in detail how the nominee has been involved in promoting public education in the community. In what other ways is the nominee involved in community activities/projects?
- **Personal Achievement:** How has involvement in Association and community activities enabled the nominee to meet his/her own personal goals? What advice would the nominee give to someone entering the teaching profession?
- **Enhancement of ESP Image:** Describe in detail how the nominee's activities have enhanced the image of Education Support Professionals at the worksite, in the Association, and in the community.
- Individual must have been an OEA member for three years as of January of the award year.

WOEA ESP Award Nomination Procedure

1. The screening committee will be the WOEА Professional Efficacy Committee. The committee’s recommendation for the WOEА ESP Award will be forwarded to the WOEА Board of Directors for consideration and approval.
2. The recipient of the WOEА ESP of the Year Award will automatically be nominated for the OEA ESP Award.
3. The recipient of the WOEА ESP of the Year Award will be honored at the WOEА Spring Representative Assembly.

Please type or print.

Nominator (Please print) _____

Nominator’s Signature _____

Local Association _____

WOEA Member _____ Years

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) Work Phone (_____)

Brief description of nominee: I hereby nominate the following person to receive the WOEА ESP of the Year Award:

Nominee _____

Local Association _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) Work Phone (_____)

Local President’s Name _____

Please give reasons for nomination and the qualification of the nominee. You may also attach supporting documents to substantiate your nomination.

Note: All nominations submitted to WOEА will be evaluated on the basis of criteria stated on this application form.

Mail this form and any attachments by the deadline:

January 15, 2018

Send form to:
WOEA
Professional Advocacy Committee - ESP of the Year Award
1100 Wayne Street, Suite 2522
Troy, Ohio 45373

