

## Texas School Nurses Organization Region 19 School Nurse of the Year Application

**Purpose: To publicly recognize the contribution of Texas school nurses by honoring one school nurse who demonstrates excellence in school nursing practice and leadership in school health.**

### **Criteria & Eligibility:**

Nominee must be:

- a. A registered professional nurse.
- b. A member of NASN currently and for the two preceding years (without lapse in membership).
- c. Nominee must have five years of experience as a school nurse and currently practicing full-time as a school nurse. At least 50% of the nominee's time must be spent in direct care.
- d. Nominee may not be on the TSNO Executive Committee or be an officer for NASN at the time of nomination.

### **Nomination & Submission Process:**

To be submitted to TSNO-19 president at time of nomination:

1. A one-page narrative written by the nominator and signed by the nominee describing the nominee's significant contributions to advancing excellence in school nursing practice and leadership in school health.
2. A one-page narrative written by the nominee describing the nominee's significant contributions to advancing excellence in school nursing practice and leadership in school health.
3. Recent digital head and shoulder photograph of nominee (300 dpi/inch in JPEG format). The photograph will be used on Survey Monkey along with the nominee's narrative for the membership to cast a vote for their choice of TSNO-19 School Nurse of the Year (SNOY). If nominee is selected, photograph will be used to post on TSNO-19 web site with the narrative as announcement of 2018 TSNO-19 SNOY. The photograph will also be submitted with application to TSNO for State SNOY. If nominee selected, photograph will be used in the TSNO Newsletter and submitted to NASN for Affiliate SNOY Award.

If chosen for TSNO-19 School Nurse of the Year these items will be needed to submit the application to TSNO:

1. A bulleted list completed by the nominee describing specific evidence of excellence as found in the Standards of Professional School Nursing Practice (National Association of School Nurses and American Nurses Association, 2011). Not to exceed three pages.
2. Nominee's signed curriculum vitae limited to personal education, employment, research activities, service related to school nursing, and publication. Not to exceed two pages.
3. A minimum of two letters with a maximum of four letters of support or recommendation describing the nominee's specific qualifications for this award. Letters must be from a fellow school nurse, administrator, supervisor, educator, parent, or community leader.