

**Pennsylvania School Counselors Association
Public Awareness and Advocacy Committee**

Advocate of the Year Award Criteria and Nomination Information

The PSCA Advocate of the Year Award was instituted in 2005 to recognize those individuals, group or organization whose advocacy of counselors and counseling programs in a school setting has had an impact for counselors and their programs on a local, state, or national level. This award is to go to **non-school counseling individuals** who have demonstrated exceptional support of and belief in school counseling programs and services.

Eligibility for consideration :

- A. Nominee(s) may be an administrator, school board member, parent, teacher, community leader or organization who has consistently made a difference to or shown support of, the improvement of guidance and counseling services in the school setting.
- B. The nominee should NOT be actively employed as a school counselor or as a supervisor of school counselors or counseling and guidance services.

Criteria for recognition:

- A. The nominee/ organization should possess the qualities thought to be desirable in an advocate and,
- B. The nominee / organization must have shown exemplary support and,
- C. The nominee/ organization should exhibit:
 - Outstanding promotion of school counseling and guidance services and/ or
 - Implementation of new/ additional counseling and guidance services and/ or
 - Improvement of existing counseling and guidance services.

To nominate a group or individual(s) who have shown this support for your school counseling programs, please complete the application which can be found on the PSCA website, or by contacting Joan Novelli Capolupo, Advocacy and Awareness Chair. All award materials must be postmarked by January 11,2009. Nominations should be sent to: Joan Novelli Capolupo, PSCA Advocacy and Awareness Chair, 1225 Thomas Road, Wayne, PA 19087.

Pennsylvania School Counselor Association
Professional Recognition Awards Program

Advocate of the Year Nomination Form

Nominee/ Group Name : _____

Address _____

Work Address _____

Home Phone () _____

Work Phone () _____

FAX () _____

Email _____

Nominated by : _____

Address _____

Work Address _____

Home Phone () _____

Work Phone () _____

FAX () _____

Email _____

Nominee's Degree Information :

(If a group is being nominated, please choose one person or leader for educational information)

Degree: _____

Date Earned : _____

Institution: _____

Subject Area: _____

Information Required / Documentation for Packet Submission:

- Completed Nomination Form
- Letter of Recommendation from Nominator (maximum 2 pages)
- Letter of Support from an Administrator
- Rationale for Nomination (maximum 3 pages)
- Supplementary / Supporting Information (maximum 10 pages)
- Photo of Nominee if desired for publication in Conference Program Book
- **Maximum length of Packet:** 16 pages front and back not including Nomination Form

Send to: PSCA Public Awareness and Advocacy Chairperson
1225 Thomas Road, Wayne, PA 19087

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