Legislator of the Year Award Criteria

The purpose of the Legislator of the Year Award is to recognize state and federal legislators who have a record of supporting issues related to school health and/or take an important stand on school health issues during a particular legislative session.

One letter of nomination shall be submitted for each nominee and it shall include:

- The name, address, phone and fax numbers, and e-mail address of the legislator; and
- A description of the voting record, school health advocacy work, collaboration efforts and other significant contributions.

Nominees may demonstrate examples of the following:

- Is an outspoken advocate of school health issues;
- Demonstrates a voting record that supports school health initiatives;
- Has sponsored a minimum of one legislative bill in support of ASHA’s mission and advocacy priorities;
- Has led the passage of one or more legislative bill in support of ASHA’s mission and advocacy priorities;
- Serves on or is in a leadership position of a legislative committee, which supports ASHA issues, and positions.

The award will be presented at the ASHA annual conference. The recipient will receive a complimentary registration and be invited to present a short description of their work promoting the health of youth and school health issues.

Documentation for this award should be submitted to Ashley Dowling adowling@ashaweb.org by the close of business on Monday, May 4, 2015.

The Legislator of the Year Award will be presented at the 89th Annual School Health Conference October 15-17 2015 in Orlando, Florida.