



## School Health Professional of the Year Award

### Description

The purpose of this award is to recognize an individual who has demonstrated sustained and outstanding contributions to school health education and/or research. Although the award is open to all outstanding scholars, anyone that is involved in delivering the components of the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child model ( such as classroom teachers, counselors, bus drivers, school nurses, educators, etc) who are involved in a K-12 health education setting are especially encouraged to apply.

### Award Criteria

- Nominee demonstrates a significant, high quality professional agenda contributing to the school health field in addition to translational research aligned with the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model, ASHA's mission, and position papers.
- Nominee is a proactive school health professional with a high skill level of planning, implementing, and evaluating student-centered lessons, using evidence-based teaching practices with age-and developmentally appropriate knowledge and skill development, as recommended by the National Health Education Standards.
- Nominee advocates and promotes the health of school-aged children within the school, district, and community, including advocating the importance of comprehensive school health education to critical stakeholders.
- Nominee demonstrates valuable contributions to school health practice by presenting at local, state, national, and/or international conferences.
- Nominee demonstrates commitment to self-improvement, professional development, and the improvement of the health education program in which he/she is involved with.
- Nominee is a current member of ASHA.

### Nominee Packet

When submitting a nomination, please include the following:

- Two letters of support, one of which must be from the nominator who is a current ASHA member. Both letters should contain information highlighting the nominee's expertise, as well as his/her impact in the school health field.
- A resume/curriculum vitae from the nominee consisting of background information, academic training, employment background, professional association activities, honors, and publications (if applicable).
- Optional: Submit additional supporting materials, including a two-page maximum synopsis with bulleted points demonstrating how nominee meets each criterion for the award.

The nominee packet must be sent electronically to [info@ASHAweb.org](mailto:info@ASHAweb.org) by 5:00pm Eastern Standard Time on the deadline date.