Georgia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance

Advocate of the Year Award

Purpose of the Award
The Advocate of the Year Award is designed to recognize and reward school/college administrators or community leaders (i.e. principals, assistant principals, legislators, school board members, department curriculum directors, superintendents, deans, etc.) who promote, support and advocate for health, physical education, recreation and/or dance programs in school settings. This award is presented annually at the GAHPERD State Convention.

Qualifications for Award
Qualifications for this award require evidence of the following criteria:
1. Has demonstrated leadership for health, physical education, recreation and/or dance programming for at least 5 years.
2. Provides support for program expansion and improvement
3. Encourages and supports professional development within the school that promotes the ideas of the program
4. Generates employee and student support for the program
5. Demonstrates support outside the school (community and/or state level)

Selection/Recognition Process
The completed application for this award is reviewed by the award Committee. The recipient and all applicants for this award are notified by letter from the award Chair six to eight weeks prior to GAHPERD’s annual convention. The award winner is expected to be in attendance at the Awards Ceremony. The Chair’s letter will include details regarding the date and time of this special event.

Required Materials for Application
Applications must contain all required materials to be reviewed by the Committee. Application materials must be typed, but not exceed ten (10) pages, not counting the cover page. All applications must include the following items in this order:
1. Cover page
2. Resumé/vita, not to exceed six (6) pages
3. Letters of support (3). One should be written by the nominator. The other two should be written by people who can truly speak to how the applicant demonstrates the qualifications.
4. Any additional support documentation.
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Presented by the Georgia Association for Health  
Physical Education Recreation and Dance

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# Advocate of the Year Award Application
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4. Any other support documentation