

ILLINOIS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION-NEA

**ESP of the Year Award
Nomination
Form**

2012

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ILLINOIS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS

OF THE YEAR

1996	NANCY KALLENBACH
1997	CHUCK VOLKER
1998	CONNIE HELM
1999	SHIRLEY PARKS
2000	VICKIJO ALMGREEN
2001	MAX BOCHMANN
2002	CAROLYN TALLEY
2003	DAVE ARNOLD
*2004	KATHIE LANGE
2005	JOHN PIECHOCINSKI
2006	JESSYE SKORICH
2007	KATHY JESUIT
2008	JOYCE SEVARINO
2009	CARL CHAPMAN
2010	IRMA LOTT
2011	CINDY MITCHELL
*2005	Kathie Lange was NEA-ESP Of The Year

IEA-NEA ESP Award

Purpose of the Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize an Education Support Professional who has shown outstanding accomplishments in the following areas:

- Involvement in his/her local, state, and/or national association.
- Achievements in his/her professional classification.
- In promoting public education in the community.
- Enhancement of the image of education support professional in the Association, the work site or the community.

Criteria

The ESP nominees for this award must currently be an IEA-ESP member and have been an IEA-ESP member for three (3) years as of November 1st.

ESPs must be nominated by a Local Association President or by a member of the IEA Board of Directors.

Selection of Award

The selection committee will be the IEA-ESP Council. All nominations received by IEA on the official nomination form will be checked to insure that it meets all requirements of eligibility.

Recognition of Award

- The award will be presented to the recipient at the annual IEA Representative Assembly.
- The recipient will receive recognition at the annual ESP Conference and will address the ESP delegation.
- The IEA-ESP Of The Year recipient will automatically become the nominee from the Illinois Education Association for NEA-ESP of the Year Award and will receive an expense paid trip to the annual NEA-ESP Conference.

Nomination Procedure

To insure the widest possible participation, the nomination procedure for the ESP of the Year Award shall be as follows:

- Each local association affiliate can submit one nominee through their local president.
- Any member of the IEA Board of Directors may also submit one nomination.
- All nominations must be postmarked by October 21, 2011.
- Members of the ESP Council and alternates are not eligible for this award.

History of ESPs

Today, IEA-ESP membership exceeds 30,000 (including fee payers). IEA-ESP members are actively involved in the association at the local, state and national levels, in their community organizations, and in school restructuring efforts — as partners with their teacher and administrative colleagues.

The ESP of the Year Award

The 1995 IEA Representative Assembly approved this special annual award. This award is meant to further emphasize the contributions of Education Support Professionals to their association, schools, and communities.

NOMINATION FORM

2012 ESP Award Application

Please complete this form and provide a nomination statement of approximately 100 words or less per each of the five (5) questions. Additional supporting documents are optional.

IMPORTANT: Please, only one nomination per local. The individual signing this nomination form must be the local association president or a member of the IEA Board of Directors.

I hereby nominate the following ESP to receive the **2012 IEA-ESP of the Year Award** to be presented at the 2012 IEA Representative Assembly.

P L E A S E P R I N T

Nominee _____
Must be a current IEA-ESP Member for the past 3 years Phone Number _____

Region Council Number _____ Local Association _____

Nominee's Address _____
Address City State Zip Code

Nominator _____
Must be an IEA Local Association President or a member of the IEA Board of Directors

SIGNATURE _____

Region or Local Affiliation _____

Nominator's Address _____
Address City State Zip Code

Phone (work) _____ (home) _____

Nominator E-mail Address _____

NOTE: All nominations submitted to IEA will be evaluated by the ESP of the Year Award Committee on the basis of the criteria stated on this application form.

Mail this form with any applications to:

Cathy Wyzykowski, UniServ/ESP Director
Illinois Education Association-NEA
2230 Point Boulevard, Suite 400
Elgin, IL 60123

Nominations must be **postmarked** no later than October 21, 2011.
For further information, call 847-241-2803.

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2012 ESP AWARD APPLICATION

Please provide written responses to the following questions

Professional Practice: Describe the worksite responsibilities and personal achievements the nominee has made in his/her classification or field. How has the nominee demonstrated leadership, creativity, and innovation at the worksite? How has the nominee's professional growth made a difference for the school and the students?

Advocacy and Association Involvement: In what ways does the nominee serve as an advocate in the day-to-day educational process, for members, for the profession, and for public education? How has the nominee's involvement in the Illinois Education Association and Local Association contributed to his/her success as a professional?

Community Engagement: Specify in detail how the nominee has been involved in promoting public education in the community. In what other ways is the nominee involved in community activities/projects?

Personal Achievement: How has involvement in Association and community activities enabled the nominee to meet his/her own personal goals?

Enhancement of ESP Image: Describe in detail how the nominee's activities have enhanced the image of Educational Support Professionals at the worksite, in the Association, and in the community.

NOTE: If needed, please attach additional pages for answers.

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