

SUE HEFLEY EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

AWARD INFORMATION

The LASL Sue Hefley Educator of the Year Award is presented annually, when merited, to an educator who has made an outstanding contribution to school libraries within Louisiana. The recipient of this award will receive an engraved plaque which will be presented at the annual conference of the LASL board's choosing. Each nominee/applicant shall be judged by a committee on the basis of the evaluation criteria approved by the LASL executive board.

Recipient Requirements:

- Be a Louisiana educator.
- Can not be a practicing school librarian.
- Eligible individuals could include: school superintendents, principals, curriculum supervisors, or administrators directly responsible for a school or group of schools at either the elementary or secondary level.
- Must be nominated by a current member of LASL.

Evaluation Criteria:

- Nominee should display an effective interpretation of the school library role to staff, students, board of education, and community.
- Nominee should display leadership in instituting library policies and practices resulting in the improvement of curriculum and classroom instruction.
- Nominee should display a sustained effort toward worthy concepts of school library service.

Nomination Statement:

(Please attach a nomination statement which includes all of the following information)

1. Biographical information, including experience and qualifications.
2. Nominee's personal statement of library philosophy.
3. An explanation of his/her:
 - Administrative leadership and effort
 - Contribution to the concept of effective school library service
 - Success in interpreting the role of the school library in the educational process
4. Supporting data in brief narrative or bulleted format. Data should include:
 - Basic information on the school system as a whole, including economic and environmental factors.
 - The situation at the time the nominee began the program for which he/she is nominated, in contrast with the current situation.
 - Activities which exhibit the nominee's role in supporting library policies.
 - Activities which resulted in the improvement of information literacy curriculum and instruction.
 - A clear vision statement for the library program and any future plans which show commitment to improvement of library services.

Submission: Application must be sent electronically by February 25th of the application year to lla@amigos.org

Subject Line: LASL Sue Hefley Educator of the Year Award, Nominee/Applicant Name