MEMO

TO: State Affiliate Presidents

FROM: Lily Eskelsen García

DATE: September 22, 2014

RE: 2015 ESP of the Year

NEA will present its 24th annual NEA ESP of the Year Award at the 2015 NEA ESP National Conference on Friday, March 6. The conference will be held at: Hilton New Orleans Riverside Hotel, 2 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70130, (504) 561-0500.

Award nominee applications must be received by NEA no later than the close of business on Thursday, December 4, 2014. A state affiliate can choose one of the following two nomination procedures:

**State Nomination:** A state affiliate may submit one nominee through its ESP award system. A state award system is one developed by the state Association that gathers nominations through local affiliates and selects one statewide nominee. A submission by a state affiliate requires the signature of the state president.

**Local Nomination:** If a state affiliate does not yet have an ESP award system in place for the 2014-15 school year, the affiliate may inform local affiliates that they may submit one nomination directly to NEA. A submission by a local requires the signature of the local president.

Enclosed is the nomination form for the 2015 ESP award that includes a description of the award’s criteria and selection procedure. We urge you to assist us in spreading the word about this award to all interested members. Additional copies of the nomination form may be obtained on www.nea.org/esp or by contacting Lisa Connor at (202) 822-7529 or lconnor@nea.org

Enclosures

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