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NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year Award

Purpose: The National Council of Higher Education (NCHE)/National Education Association (NEA) Higher Educator of the Year Award recognizes the postsecondary education professional who continually provides outstanding student service, excellence in teaching and/or working with students, and state/local labor-based advocacy.

Award: Each year, one nominee receives the NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year Award. Members of the NCHE Executive Committee present the award during the annual NEA Higher Education Conference, which includes a monetary award of \$10,000.

This award is made possible by the NEA Foundation, an organization founded by educators for educators to improve public education for all students.

Eligibility: This award is open to all NEA Higher Education members. The recipient for the NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year award must have at least ten years of professional service in higher and have demonstrated consistent advocacy for higher education unions at any level (local, state, national).

Nominations: The official nomination form must be submitted, along with a letter of recommendation detailing the rationale for supporting the candidate, to the NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year Award Selection Committee by February 1, 2021.

Selection Criteria: The NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year Selection Committee will review all nominations to ensure that eligibility and submission requirements are met. It will review the nomination per these three criteria:

1. Professional Practice, including, but not limited to, demonstrated development of innovative student-centered learning tools, research methods, curricula, and appropriate discipline-based course delivery methods.
2. Labor-Based Advocacy, including, but not limited to, demonstrated development of a union consciousness/social awareness regarding the critical role organized labor plays in the higher education landscape.
3. Community Engagement, including, but not limited to, a demonstrated pattern of participation in local/community organizations, events, and activities associated with strengthening the ties between higher education and other service-related organizations.

Notification: The NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year Selection Committee will notify the recipient of this year's award by February 15, 2021. The award will be presented during the NEA Higher Education Conference in March 2021. While an award of \$10,000 is provided thanks to the generosity of the NEA Foundation, conference registration and other expenses incurred as a result of participating in the conference are not covered. Please submit your nomination by February 1, 2021, to:

Dr. Suzanne G. Sublette, Chair-Higher Educator of the Year Award sublettes@gtc.edu



The National Council of Higher Education (NCHE) will award the NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year Award during the NEA Higher Education Conference in March 2021. This award will be presented to an NEA Higher Education member who demonstrates outstanding accomplishments in all three selection criteria areas. Please submit your nomination by January 15, 2021, to Dr. Suzanne G. Sublette, Chair- NCHE/NEA Higher Educator of the Year Award sublettes@gtc.edu

Title (Dr./Mr./Ms.) First Name

Last Name

Position (Instructor, Professor, Staff, etc.)

Home address

City

State

Zip

Work address

City

State

Zip

Cell Phone

Email address

Local Affiliate

State Affiliate

Personal statement attesting to why you believe the candidate should receive the award (please type here or attach additional information):