

## Exemplary Teacher Awards

**Exemplary Teacher** awards are to be presented at the same year's Colorado ASTA Conference (i.e. 2018 award nominations will be presented at 2018 Colorado ASTA Summer Conference). The nomination period is May 1 through June 15. This award is no longer self-nominated, but rather, peer-nominated. There is no election, since each award will be presented based on the fulfillment of the requirements set forth below. All documentation will be sent to the Colorado ASTA President via online Google Form.

### Criteria for receiving the Exemplary Private String Teacher Award

Letter of recommendation from a private student and/or their parent, or a colleague *and* the nominee must possess a minimum of four of these traits.

- Students involved in youth symphony organizations
- Evidence of Professional Development (i.e. conference attendance, post-graduate degree)
- Private studio participation in CCAP
- Students audition for and are accepted into ASO and/or WSHOF
- Students transitioning to college as a continuing player (music major or minor, or enrolled in a collegiate orchestral ensemble)
- Private students are involved in their school music program
- Current or past member of the Board of Colorado ASTA or service on one of the Colorado ASTA committees

### Criteria for receiving the Exemplary Elementary String Teacher Award

Letter of recommendation from a supervising principal or a colleague *and* the nominee must possess a minimum of five of these traits.

- Students participate in Solo and Ensemble Participation (indicate date and location, if known)
- Mentoring of new teachers (including student teachers, college interns, mentoring new teachers in your district in the induction program or helping out a new colleague)
- Evidence of growth in recruiting and retention of their school strings program
- Supports positive transition of students from elementary to middle level programs
- Evidence of professional development (i.e. conference attendance, post-graduate degree)
- Active advocate for music programs by participating in local concerts and festivals and other collaborative events
- Leadership in the profession (i.e. holding an office in a professional organization, district committees for music or teachers, presenter at state or national convention)
- Current or past member of the Board of Colorado ASTA or service on one of the Colorado ASTA committees

### Criteria for receiving the Exemplary Middle School/Junior High Teacher Award

Letter of recommendation from a supervising principal or a colleague *and* the nominee must possess a minimum of five of these traits.

- Students participate in Solo and Ensemble Participation (indicate date and location, if known)
- Mentoring of new teachers (including student teachers, college interns, mentoring new teachers in your district in the induction program or helping out a new colleague)
- Evidence of growth in recruiting and retention of the school strings program
- Supports positive transition of students from middle to high school level programs
- Evidence of professional development (i.e. conference attendance, post-graduate degree)
- Active advocate for music programs by participating in local concerts and festivals and other collaborative events
- Leadership in the profession (i.e. holding an office in a professional organization, district committees for music or teachers, presenter at state or national convention)
- Current or past member of the Board of Colorado ASTA or service on one of the Colorado ASTA committees

## **Criteria for receiving the Exemplary High School Orchestra Teacher Award**

Letter of recommendation from a supervising principal or a colleague  
*and* the nominee must possess a minimum of five of these traits.

- Students participate in Solo and Ensemble Participation (indicate date and location if known)
- Mentoring of new teachers (including student teachers, college interns, mentoring new teachers in your district in the induction program or helping out a new colleague)
- Evidence of growth in recruiting and retention of the school strings program
- Supports positive transition of students from high school to collegiate level programs
- Evidence of professional development (i.e. conference attendance, post-graduate degree)
- Evidence of active advocacy for music by participating in local concerts and festivals and other collaborative events
- Leadership in the profession (i.e. holding an office in a professional organization, district committees for music or teachers, presenter at state or national convention)
- Current or past member of the Board of Colorado ASTA or service on one of the Colorado ASTA committees

## **Criteria for receiving the Exemplary College/University String Professor Award**

Letter of recommendation from a student or a colleague  
*and* the nominee must possess a minimum of five of these traits.

- Support of their local public school music programs (i.e. providing mentorship to public school teachers and students) and can work with students at varying levels
- Graduated students receiving teaching or performance assignments upon completion of their degree
- Has demonstrated artistic and educational outreach through guest teaching work and serving as a clinician
- Maintains and increases number of active string education students within their institution
- Evidence of professional development (i.e. conference attendance, post-graduate degree)
- Leadership within the profession (i.e. holding an office in a professional organization, district committees for music or teachers, presenter at state or national convention)
- Has published articles or research in professional publications
- Current or past member of the Board of Colorado ASTA or service on one of the Colorado ASTA committees