



RALEIGH DINGMAN AWARD

Guidelines & Entry Forms

The Raleigh Dingman Award is the highest honor bestowed on a North Carolina school board member each year and is named in honor of Raleigh Dingman, NCSBA's first full-time executive secretary. Since 2003, recipients of this honor have served as an ex-officio member of the NC State Board of Education and the NCSBA Board of Directors. The honoree will be expected to attend meetings of both organizations.

The All-State Board is comprised of eight board members from across the state. Board members designated as members of the All-State Board must have been nominated by their local boards for the Raleigh Dingman Award.

Please read the Raleigh Dingman Award criteria, eligibility requirements, and nomination specifications outlined below before submitting your application. All instructions must be followed, or the entry may be disqualified.

CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION

Nominees for the Raleigh Dingman Award should be individual school board members that have demonstrated leadership at the local, state, or federal level as evidenced by any or all of the following.

- significant contribution to develop community support for the critical role of public education
- improving student achievement
- strengthening professional development to support public education, school board member training and development, the role of school boards, and school leadership
- engaging the public, parents, and community in school improvement
- aiding, fostering, and promoting the development of the role of public schools and public education in preserving and promoting democracy;
- individual or group activities to support a quality public education at the local, state, and federal level and the work of local school boards;
- leadership and service to school boards, public education, and/or the North Carolina School Boards Association as demonstrated by committee work, attendance at NCSBA seminars, regional meetings, or whole-board training

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Nominated by official action of the local board
- Complied with statutory training requirements for school boards
- Complied with 2-hour ethics training requirements for school boards
- Participated in NCSBA Board Development activities
- Served at least one full term on the local board

- Be a current board member
- Willing to serve as an ex-officio member of the NC State Board of Education and the NCSBA Board of Directors by regularly attending meetings of both boards

NOMINATION SPECIFICATIONS

- Entries must meet all specifications in order to qualify.
- Nomination form including a summary of the nominee's qualifications for the Raleigh Dingman Award not to exceed 200 words
- One-page detailed narrative addressing the nominee's essential attributes and leadership skills that qualify him or her for this award, typed and double-spaced
- Board endorsement form
- Evidence of statutory training
- Evidence of 2-hour ethics training
- Print-quality photograph of nominee
- Letters of support (optional, no more than 3)
- Supporting materials, such as news articles, promotional handouts, etc. (optional)

OPTIONAL BACKUP MATERIALS

The judges will make decisions based on responses to the prompt on the nomination form and the one-page narrative. Backup materials are welcome, but they are optional and will not significantly affect the judges' decisions. Only include backup materials that support the nomination.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

All items listed under the Nomination Specifications must be received by NCSBA on or before **October 12, 2018**.



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Nominee Name: _____

School Board: _____ No. of Years on the Board: _____

SUMMARY PARAGRAPH

Provide a brief paragraph providing the nominee's qualifications for the Raleigh Dingman Award, not to exceed 200 words. This paragraph may be used in Association publications.

Please submit the information below with the completed entry form.

- Completed Official Endorsement Form
- One-page detailed narrative
- Training Record
- Evidence of 2-Hour Ethics Training
- Letters of Support (optional)
- Backup Materials (optional)

Please submit entries on or before **October 12, 2018**.



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Official Endorsement Form

This is to certify that the _____ Board of Education

endorses the nomination of _____
Name of Board Member

for the North Carolina School Boards Association's Raleigh Dingman Award and that this endorsement

represents an official board action taken on

Date of Board Action

Board Chair's Signature

Print Board Chair's Name