

NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION

2009 NHSBA School Board of Excellence Award

Has your school board accomplished or implemented innovative best practices this year? Are those best practices “transportable” to other school boards in New Hampshire? If so, you may be eligible to receive the 2009 NHSBA School Board of Excellence Award. Here’s more information about this prestigious award, and how your board can be considered:

The NHSBA School Board of Excellence Award acknowledges the leadership, teamwork and effectiveness of school boards, and provides an opportunity for the chosen board to share its expertise with others throughout the State. School boards can be nominated for the award by their local members, administrators, or constituents.

Here’s how you can apply for the 2009 NHSBA School Board of Excellence Award:

- 1. Complete the Nomination Form.**
- 2. Fill in the Best Practices Narrative, describing the work of your local school board.**
- 3. Return the enclosed forms by April 10, 2009 to:**

New Hampshire School Boards Association
Attn: Dr. Theodore Comstock, Executive Director
25 Triangle Park Drive, Suite 101
Concord, NH 03301

Phone: 603-228-2061 or NH Toll Free 1-800-272-0653

Fax: 603-228-2351

Email: sklesq@aol.com (Executive Director Ted Comstock)

The winning Board will be officially recognized at the 2009 Excellence in Education (EDies) Award Ceremony and Banquet, which is held on June 13, 2009 in Manchester. The Board and its Superintendent, as well as their guests, will be hosted at this event by NHSBA.

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Selection Criteria

- * The board must be a member in good standing of the New Hampshire School Boards Association.

- * The board will have demonstrated excellence and best practices in areas such as: Governance, Fiscal Responsibility, Innovation, and Statewide Adaptability.

- * The board will have developed and/or implemented best practices/policies related to the major roles of the school board. Examples include, but are not limited to:

Board Self-Evaluation
Long-Range Planning
School Board Policy Development
Community Outreach

Board Member Orientation
Conducting Public Sessions
Board Member Training
Superintendent Selection/Evaluation

To apply, please complete the enclosed NOMINATION FORM and the BEST PRACTICES NARRATIVE, and return them to the address listed above.

The deadline for submission of all materials is **April 10, 2009.**

NOTE: Members of the local community, local government officials, and the staff of the school district can be invited to add **Letters of Endorsement** to the nomination.

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NOMINATION FORM

School Board _____

Current Members on the School Board (include name and length of service for each member):

Total Number of Years of Service on School Board _____

Name of Superintendent _____

Person(s) Making Nomination:

Name _____

MAILING Address _____

Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Position: _____ School Board Chair _____ Superintendent
_____ School Board Member _____ Other: _____

Signature: _____ Date _____

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BEST PRACTICES NARRATIVE

Person(s) Making Nomination: _____

The _____ School Board has achieved excellence in the area of _____.

[Please feel free to attach additional pages to this Narrative to answer the following questions:]

Specifically describe what “best practice(s)” the school board has accomplished or implemented.

Specifically describe what actions/methods the school board utilized to accomplish this “best practice(s).”

Specifically describe how this “best practice(s)” has made a difference to the students, parents, and other stakeholders in the community.

Are any Letters of Endorsement accompanying this nomination? _____ How many? _____