

DELEGATE ASSEMBLY NOMINATION FORM: GREAT PLAINS MILESTONE AWARD

The NSEA's Ethnic Minority Affairs Committee (EMAC) has established, with the support of the 2011 Delegate Assembly, an annual Human & Civil Rights Award. This award is named the Great Plains Milestone Award. The goal of the award is to promote the development, advancement and protection of human and civil rights. The nomination deadline is Friday, February 6, 2026. All nominees will be vetted by the NSEA prior to consideration.

AWARD CRITERIA

NSEA/EMAC presents the Great Plains Milestone Award to an individual or group that has promoted human and civil rights within their communities in one or more of the following areas:

- Design and actively participate in community activities
- Recruit minority members into leadership
- Promote the teaching profession among future teachers
- Encourage and inspire youth to enter the teaching profession
- Work to eradicate discrimination
- Work to build effective family, school, and community partnerships
- Design and/or implement curriculum promoting human and civil rights understanding
- Provide leadership within local, state and/or national levels in programs that create awareness about issues of human & civil rights, peace, justice and international understanding.

PROCEDURES

- Must be a vetted NSEA member if eligible for membership for the Great Plains Milestone Award.
- Nomination must be submitted on official NSEA/EMAC Great Plains Milestone Award nomination form only. Nomination Form must be typed. Only completed nomination forms will be considered. Computer generated statements may be cut off and pasted on the official form.
- Any NSEA member in any of the NSEA membership categories may submit nominations.
- The nomination form must be completed and signed. Only one nomination is to be submitted on each form with the criteria clearly indicated.
- Other supportive documents (*pictures, digital media and supportive information*) should be submitted on or before the nomination deadline. Nominations must be postmarked on or before this date to be accepted for consideration. Nominations postmarked after the due date will not be considered.
- The NSEA/EMAC Great Plains Milestone Award Selection Committee will screen the nominations and select the Award Recipient.
- The NSEA Board will approve the recipient of the award. Award recipient(s) will be notified by mail and the initial recipient will be recognized at the NSEA Delegate Assembly
- Nomination forms may be faxed to NSEA, fax number (402) 475-2630 no later than the nomination deadline.
- All nominations will be vetted by NSEA staff prior to consideration.

SUPPORTIVE INFORMATION/MATERIALS (up to 20 single-sided or 10 double-sided, numbered pages)

- You may also attach additional letters of support/recommendation (up to 3), documents, digital media, pictures, news clippings/flyers and other information for your nomination.
- Nominators may submit a resume for the nominee or organization. It may be up to 4 pages of Times New Roman 12 point font. An organization's information may include a fact sheet, history, and/or background information. The resume is not counted as part of the 20 pages.
- All additional supporting materials must relate to the specific awards criteria for which the individual, association, or organization is being nominated. (*See the "criteria eligibility form" for each award, included in this packet.*)
- Appropriate supporting materials may include newspaper, newsletter, and magazine articles; printed programs; up to 3 pages of certificates and/or citations; up to 3 letters of support; photographs; and similar materials. Do not send bulky items such as trophies, plaques, or mounted certificates, however, the submission may include one DVD, CD, audiotape, or videotape that is an example of the nominee's work. If a newspaper, newsletter, magazine articles, et al. are submitted in the binder, each page counts toward your 20 pages; unless the item is placed in a protective sleeve cover, then only the front and back would be read and counted. The audiotape, CD, DVD or videotape should not exceed 30 minutes in length.
- To help us identify and quickly return supporting materials received with award nominations, please number the items you are mailing. List and briefly describe them below. Organize material in order of criteria met and label accordingly.

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NOMINATION FORM

Nomination form must be typed. Only completed nomination forms will be considered.
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Nominations must be received at the NSEA office by Friday, February 6, 2026.
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NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

WORK PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF NOMINATOR: _____

NOMINATOR'S NSEA LOCAL ASSOCIATION: _____
(if applicable)

List the award criteria(s) the nominee demonstrates:

Describe specific experiences and/or accomplishments that support the criteria identified above (please use additional pages/attachments if necessary):



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Number of Items Mailed: _____

List and Describe the Supporting Items:

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Mail completed application to:
NSEA Great Plains Milestone Award
605 S. 14 St., Lincoln, NE 68508
or fax to (402) 475-2630