

2018 Herb Kohl Educational Foundation Outstanding Wisconsin Leadership Award Guidelines

Purpose

The purpose of the Herb Kohl Outstanding Wisconsin Leadership Award is to recognize and support excellence in school administration. The Herb Kohl Educational Foundation's goal is to support Wisconsin principals in pursuit of their unrealized goals for their schools or professional development. The four WCRIS principals and each of their schools will each receive a \$6,000 grant from the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation and will be recognized at a spring banquet.

Nomination Process

To be eligible to compete for a Leadership Award, principals should be nominated by students, parents, other teachers, community members, or administrators. Because the program's purpose is to recognize the contributions of Wisconsin school building administrators, **central office administrators and superintendents are not eligible.**

Previous Kohl Outstanding Wisconsin Leadership Award recipients are ineligible. Nomination forms must be submitted to the central education office for the diocese or jurisdiction with whom the principal's school is affiliated **on or before Friday, September 22, 2017.**

Jurisdictions/Diocese are welcome to internally nominate principals and pass along applications once the principal is identified.

Application Process

Nominees will be sent a Kohl Outstanding Wisconsin Leadership Award application **on or before October 10, 2017.** In order to provide all nominees an equal opportunity, they must follow all instructions in the application form. **All applications must be typed.**

Nominees will be evaluated on the following:

1. Personal educational philosophy
2. How they work to raise achievement for all students
3. Innovative projects/programs
4. Commitment to their community
5. Unrealized goals for their schools or professional development
6. Positive impact on students and staff

Each nominee **must submit three letters of recommendation as outlined in the application.** Letters should enhance the nominee's application by illustrating **specific examples of the principal's skills and contributions, knowledge, or attributes emphasized in the application materials.**

Application Due Date

Completed Kohl Outstanding Wisconsin Leadership Award applications must be submitted to WCRIS **on or before Friday, December 1, 2017.**

Selection Process

Successful applicants' materials will be reviewed by a WCRIS selection committee. The committee will choose principal recipients in late February, 2018, and applicants will be notified of their selection in early March, 2018. Principal recipients will be honored and will receive certificates representing their awards at a special luncheon held in the spring of 2018.

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