

NEBRASKA ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT COUNCILS

DON DARNELL AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SPONSORSHIP

The Nebraska Association of Student Councils honors local student council sponsors who have met specified criteria by awarding them the Don Darnell Award for Distinguished Sponsorship.

The award is named after Don Darnell, who retired from Lincoln Southeast High School in 1988 after providing 33 years of leadership as a sponsor for the Southeast student council.

PURPOSE OF THE AWARD

The Darnell Award was created to allow local councils an opportunity to recognize and honor outstanding student council sponsors as they complete their years of service. Recognition through the Darnell Award is meant to honor outstanding dedication and commitment on the part of high school faculty members, many of whom serve their councils for years with little or no pay.

To allow state-wide recognition of Darnell Award winners, the awards will be presented to eligible recipients at the State Convention in the year in which the sponsors are nominated.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE AWARD

To be eligible for the Darnell Award, a sponsor must:

- Have served at least ten years as a sponsor of student council at an NASC member school, and/or
- Be retiring from the school or stepping down from the sponsor position after having served as a sponsor for at least ten years.

NOMINATION FOR THE AWARD

NASC member schools that wish to honor a student council sponsor should nominate that person through the enclosed application.

The application should include background on the sponsor's contributions to the school's council, any particular accomplishments or achievements, and any pertinent personal information.

Any sponsor meeting the proper criteria will automatically be given a Darnell Award upon proper formal written nomination by the sponsor's school.

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Nominations must be postmarked by October 1. No exceptions! If you have any questions or concerns, contact Mike Musil at (402)436-1305 or mmusil@lps.org.

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Name of nominee _____

Number of years as student council sponsor _____

School Name _____

School Address/City/Zip _____

Name and address of local newspaper(s)

Name/Address/City/Zip

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Please list the sponsor's outstanding contributions to the school's council, any particular accomplishments or achievements, and any pertinent personal information below. *You may attach another sheet of paper if necessary.*

Signature of person nominating sponsor

Date

Signature of sponsor's principal

Date