



INNOVATION AWARD

The Missouri Association of School Administrators and McKinstry are collaborating to provide two \$1,250 awards for creative, dynamic, educational practices that have a powerful impact on student and/or staff learning and motivation. The Awards Committee will judge the entries based on ingenuity, innovation and the level of impact on student and/or staff learning.

The purpose of this award is to support worthwhile innovative programs, processes and/or projects. One award will be selected for smaller school districts (1000 students or less) and one award will go to a mid to large district (over 1000 students) annually. Winners will be announced at the Spring MASA Conference.

CONTEST DETAILS

Challenge: Implementation of creative, dynamic, educational practices that have a powerful impact on student and/or staff learning and motivation.

Prize: The Missouri Association of School Administrators and McKinstry are collaborating to provide two \$1,250 awards for creative, dynamic, educational practices that have a powerful impact on student and/or staff learning and motivation.

Announcement of Winners: At the Annual Spring MASA Conference

Expectations of Winners:

- Allow their application content to be shared by MASA with media and with other school districts throughout Missouri
- Share their work at a public event (example: MASA District meetings, MASA Spring or COA conferences)

SELECTION PROCESS

Applications are reviewed by a committee of not less than five superintendents and one MASA employee. Individuals from any of the districts applying must recuse themselves from the selection process. The committee bases their selection on a review of the following considerations:

- Project objectives are clearly stated, realistic, and worthwhile (5 pts.).
- Project is innovative, unique, and creates a powerful impact on student or staff learning (10 pts.).
- Creativity is applied in the approach (10 pts.).
- The narrative explains the resulting student and/or staff learning (5 pts.).
- Number or percentage of students and/or staff benefiting from the project (5 pts.).
- Ability to reproduce the project in future years and/or in other schools and districts (5 pts.).
- Plans to share experience with other colleagues (5 pts.).
- Open Criteria: General impressions of project (5 pts.). Open Criteria is specifically focused on the evidence of the project substantially improving the quality of teaching and learning.

After reviewing the applications individually, the committee will meet either in person or via phone conference to discuss the projects submitted and make the final selections.



INNOVATION AWARD 2017-2018 APPLICATION FORM

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SUBMIT ALL APPLICATIONS VIA EMAIL (*co-signed by district superintendent and principal*) TO:

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Applications must be received by February 15, 2018.

The Annual MASA Spring Conference will complete selection and announcements. Please feel free to contact Sarah Riss with any questions for feedback at sarah.riss@mcsa.org or (314)575-8942.

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Applicant's Name _____

School _____ District _____

Position _____ School Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Number of Students in the School District _____

Project Title _____

Please include a summary of your project that incorporates the grant criteria listed on the application form by answering the questions on the following page.

I grant the Missouri Association of School Administrators the right to use this proposal and the results of this project, if funded, for public information purposes or to help other educators.

Date: _____ Applicant's Signature _____

Date: _____ Principal's Signature _____

Date: _____ Superintendent's Signature _____

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Narrative Portion

Please answer the following questions as part of the application process.

1. What are your project objectives (what is the big picture)?
2. How is this project innovative? Has this been done in the district before? How does this project create a new experience for students and/or staff?
3. What creativity was applied in your approach to teaching and learning for students and/or staff?
4. What was the impact of the project on students and/or staff learning or motivation?
5. This project impacted approximately how many or what percentage of students and/or staff?
6. How can your project be replicated in future years and in other schools or districts?
7. How do you plan to share your experience with other educators?
8. Open Criteria: Please include any other information you would like to share with the selection committee for consideration regarding your project

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