



RISING STAR AWARD

Before You Nominate a Board Member

- The school board member must be serving within their first four (4) years on a school board which is a current member of the Minnesota School Boards Association.
- Any nominee **must have completed Phase I, 2 and 3, and attended at least two Leadership Conferences**. Any additional training from MSBA will be one of the factors in selecting candidates. Contact your district office to receive a list of programs the nominee has attended.
- The school board member **must have been elected and in their first four (4) years of service**. (A member may have been appointed to fill out a term, but must have been successfully elected following his or her appointment.)
- Any nominee **must have a letter of recommendation from the superintendent AND a letter from at least one current school board member**. A candidate may have up to five (5) recommendations. Please send all recommendations together with the application.
- You can use the enclosed form or download it from MSBA's Leadership Conference website page at www.mnmsba.org/LeadershipConference - click on the Rising Star Award application link. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Up to three (3) additional recognitions (awards, newspaper articles, etc.) from a cross section of your community can be included.
- The school board member nomination application must be postmarked **by Saturday, October 12, 2019**. Applications may also be faxed or emailed **by noon Monday, October 14, 2019**. **Only ONE nomination per district**. No member of the current Board of Directors of the Minnesota School Boards Association is eligible to be nominated.

Criteria include:

- (1) MSBA board training and attendance at conferences and seminars;
- (2) **a single act, series of acts or leadership** by an individual school board member, which may have significantly helped the school board, the school district, or advanced the board's role in student achievement;
- (3) the level and quality of involvement with the board and in the school district;
- (4) the level and quality of involvement in the community;
- (5) demonstrated understanding of the [Standards for School Board Leadership](#) and its role in student achievement;
- (6) demonstrated collaboration in working well with other school board members; and
- (7) advocacy of public education as a whole.



OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM – RISING STAR AWARD

(Attach additional sheets if more space is needed)

Contact Person for nomination, (not the nominee). This is the person who will be notified of the selection committee’s decision

Name:

Email:

Phone:

Name of Nominee

Name:

Address:

City & ZIP Code:

School District Name:

MSBA training this nominee has attended. Contact your district office to ensure that the nominee has completed Phase 1, 2 and 3, and has attended at least two (2) Leadership Conferences. You may also call MSBA to get the nominee’s attendance history. ATTACH THE LIST OF MSBA Workshops, Conferences and Events.

Number of years a member of the local school board (must have been **elected and in their first four (4) years of service**):

Board offices held, if any:

List current or past service this nominee has on any local, state, or national education-related boards and/or committee(s), including advocacy for public education:

List civic organization(s) of which nominee is a member:

List professional organization(s) of which nominee is a member:

Does the nominee take an active role in other school activities? If so, what?

Of the five [Standards for School Board Leadership](#), what is the nominee’s strongest area? Please give an example:

How has this board member impacted the local board, school district, or student achievement during their school board service? Please give an example:

There must be a letter of recommendation from the superintendent AND a current school board member with the application. (Up to 5 recommendations are allowed.)

ALL NOMINATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019**. NOMINATIONS CAN ALSO BE FAXED, OR EMAILED **NO LATER THAN NOON MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019** IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED. SEND ALL NOMINATIONS TO:

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