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Henderson County Education Hall of Fame Nomination and Selection Guidelines

Introduction

The Henderson County Education Foundation Hall of Fame honors those individuals who have demonstrated measurable influence and made significant contributions to the growth and development of education in Henderson County. The Hall provides an opportunity for special recognition of these men and women who have led our community's focus on educational excellence in Henderson County for decades. The Hall also provides the community with a focus for preserving the County's exciting educational history. One of only five Education Halls of Fame in North Carolina, membership in the HCEF Hall of Fame involves the selection of up to five nominees for induction each year. Over 130 teachers, administrators, support staff, school board members and donors have been honored since the Hall of Fame was founded in 2003.

Nominations

Nominees must qualify and may be nominated in one of the following categories:

Category 1: Teachers and Administrators

Category 2: Support Personnel

Category 3: Volunteers/Other Contributor

The nomination process involves the submission of a complete nomination packet to the Henderson County Education Foundation. Nominations of candidates for consideration for the 2020 Hall of Fame Class and all supporting materials may be submitted starting September 1, 2020 and **must be received no later than 5:00 pm on November 30, 2020.**

A complete nomination package will be required for a nominee to be considered and must consist of the following:

1. A completed nomination form. The Nomination Form is at:
<http://hcefnc.org/ourwork/halloffame/>
2. Three to five letters of recommendation. **Please do not submit more than five letters of recommendation.**
 - **Required:** One recommendation must be from a colleague.
 - **Required:** One from a direct supervisor, administrator or volunteer coordinator.
 - If the nominee is being considered for their service as a teacher, **one of the remaining letters must be from a former student.**

The nomination package may be submitted to Education Foundation in one of three ways:

1. In-person at the HCEF offices located at 414 4th Avenue West, Hendersonville, NC
2. By mail to Henderson County Education Foundation | 414 4th Avenue West Hendersonville, NC 28739
3. Electronically via email attachments (.pdf only) to: info@hcefnc.org

Nominee qualifications include

- 🍏 Nominees must have served the public schools of Henderson County through a paid position or in an auxiliary or volunteer role for a **minimum** of ten years.
- 🍏 Nominees must be no longer actively serving the public schools, through a paid position or in an auxiliary or volunteer role, **for at least five years** at the time of nomination, whether through death, retirement, or other voluntary separation.

- 🍎 Nominees must have contributed to public schools in Henderson County through demonstration of outstanding leadership, service, and/or other significant contributions. These contributions shall be clearly detailed in the nomination form and letters of recommendation.

Other Nomination Guidelines

- 🍎 Nominators (an individual or group) may nominate only one nominee per year in any category.
- 🍎 Hall of Fame Selection Committee members may not nominate or provide letters of recommendation for anyone nominated for this honor.
- 🍎 Individuals may be nominated multiple times in subsequent years to their initial nomination but a new nomination package must be submitted for consideration in each year.

Selection Process and Guidelines

- 🍎 HCEF staff (paid or volunteer) will review all application forms for completeness and eligibility before submitting them to the Selection Committee.
- 🍎 The Selection Committee shall be comprised of at least three current HCEF board members and a representative of the Henderson County Education History Initiative committee.
- 🍎 The HCEF Selection Committee will select no more than five inductees and no fewer than two to honor at each year's Hall of Fame induction event. Successful nominees and their nominators shall be notified of their selection by February 2020.
- 🍎 Hall of Fame honorees will be announced to the public through press releases and media coverage. Those selected for induction in the Hall of Fame will be announced in February 2020.
- 🍎 Hall of Fame guidelines and nomination materials will be reviewed annually and updated as needed. Guidelines and nomination materials shall be made available on the Foundation website (hcefnc.org).

The Hall of Fame Celebration

- 🍎 Those selected for induction will be honored at the **2021 Education Celebration**, to be held on April 21, 2021 at Jeter Mountain Farm, unless mass gatherings are still limited due to the pandemic.
- 🍎 Honorees or family representatives will receive an engraved award tile and a congratulatory certificate at the Hall of Fame celebration event. New members of the Hall shall have their photograph and a brief biographical statement placed on permanent display on the "Wall of Fame," located at the Central Office of the Henderson County Public Schools.
- 🍎 Contributions will be accepted in the names of honorees. Contributions can be made by mail [HCEF, PO Box 1267, Hendersonville, NC 28793] and online at hcefnc.org – Click on "Donate".



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