



DALLAS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL LIBRARIANS

Librarian of the Year

Selection of this award is given to a librarian who, by sustained activity, provides outstanding service in one or more areas of the library profession. Contributions to the profession, professional growth, and improvement of library services on the local campus should be included in the recommendation.

The recipient of the award must:

- (1) **Be employed full time as a DISD Library Media Specialist**
- (2) **Have worked three or more years as a Library Media Specialist in DISD**
- (3) **Be a current member of Dallas Association of School Librarians**

Nomination Procedures

- All nominations are submitted electronically to JBURNETT@Dallasisd.org by Friday, May 6, 2016.
- Use "DASL Nomination" as the Subject Line.
- Include the following in the body of the email:
 1. Full name of nominee
 2. Nominee's Dallas ISD title
 3. School Name and Address
 4. Learning Community
 5. Name and title of nominator (principal, teacher, etc.)
 6. List of the years worked together (**must be at least 3 including the current year**)
- Attach the following:
 1. Cover letter addressed to DASL 2015-2016 Awards Committee stating the award sought. Include name and address of nominator and the nominee.
 2. A one-page letter citing qualifications including librarian accomplishments, knowledge of the collection, teaching methods, facility improvements, curriculum design, assistance of staff members, technology initiations, participation in professional growth activities, promotion of library programs, involvement with volunteers, and development of innovative programs.
 3. Letter of recommendation from the following individuals **currently** associated with the Library Media Specialist on campus.
 - a. One campus administrator
 - b. One teacher
 - c. One student currently enrolled on campus
 - d. One community patron (parent, volunteer)
 4. Limit additional supporting images to three; however, no photographs of the individual are permitted.

Selection Criteria:

1. Assists students and teachers in identifying, locating, and interpreting information housed in and outside the Library Media Center.
2. Provides formal and informal instruction in information concepts, the production of materials, and the use of informational and instructional technologies.
3. Seeks to improve or expand Library Media Center facilities.
4. Participates in and utilizes school curriculum and design and assessment projects.
5. Collaborates with teachers to develop instructional activities aligned with the TEKS and the CIP.
6. Initiates the selection, evaluation, and use of emerging technologies.
7. Involved in professional growth activities for Library Media Specialists.
8. Encourages reading at the professional and student level.
9. Promotes parental and volunteer involvement.
10. Aids in the development of innovative campus-wide programs.

Selection Procedures:

Judges are comprised of administrators and librarians outside of the Dallas Independent School District. Judges score each nomination using the above listed criteria. The Award Committee members tally the scores to determine the winner.