



Virginia School Counselor
Association

2016-17 Awards Nominations Information

VSCA's Annual Conference October 11-13, 2017 will honor one person in each of the following categories:

Elementary School Counselor of the Year **OR** Secondary School Counselor of the Year

Eligibility:

- Member of VSCA
- Must be nominated by **ONE** of the following: VSCA member, District Supervisor or Principal
- Currently employed as a full-time school counselor
- Must have completed three consecutive years of counseling at the level of nomination
- All Nominations must be in by **April 14, 2017**

Criteria:

- Show evidence of innovative programs
- Evidence for creating/sustaining a developmentally appropriate school counseling program
- Serve as a leader, collaborator, and advocate in the school community
- Follow the ASCA Model
- Demonstrate leadership through active involvement in professional counseling associations
- Show evidence of technology
- Use of data to create school counseling programs
- Submit 2-3 pieces of evidence from student and parent supporters
- Submit 1-2 pieces evidence from colleagues and/or administration supporters

Nomination Applications must include the following components in the following order: (not to exceed 12 pages; Cover Page and Nomination Form excluded)

1. Cover page with photo
2. Completed VSCA nomination form – online at [VSCA 2017 Nomination Form](#)
3. Letter of nomination (1 page)
4. Resume (maximum 2 pages)
5. Supplementary information (see submission criteria above)

6. Use of technology and data (grips, programs designed and implemented (max. 4 pages).

Email the completed application packet (excluding the nomination form) to Dina Thibodeau at dmthibodeau@henrico.k12.va.us

Evaluation Process for all Categories:

- Division vice-presidents will evaluate the nominations and choose one winner from each category
- The Committee reserves the right not to present an award in any category when there is insufficient evidence of outstanding contribution
- Nominees who do not receive the award one year are eligible for re-nomination in subsequent years with a new nomination packet
- Winners from each category will be notified by May 1, 2017.
- Nomination packets will not be returned.
- Each award winner and two guests will be invited to the Awards Celebration free of charge. The winner's accomplishments will be announced, a monetary award, and a trophy will be presented.

NOTE: As a VSCA winner you may be nominated for ASCA School Counselor of the Year.