

GACIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
For Supervision of Instruction
RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA*

One of the most coveted honors in GACIS is the Distinguished Service Award for Supervision of Instruction. The award, which was established in 1971 and funded by Dr. Johnnye V. Cox through 1990, is presented annually at the GACIS Fall Conference. The award is presented to a supervisor in Georgia public education selected for having made the most significant contribution to the field during the preceding year.

Guidelines for eligibility, criteria for selection, procedures for nomination and selection at the district and state levels, adopted by GACIS September 26, 1979, are as follows:

Beginning with the Annual Fall Conference in 1980, the Georgia Association of Curriculum and Instructional Supervisors will make an annual Distinguished Service Award to an instructional leader in Georgia public education who has made the most significant contribution to the supervision of instruction.

AWARD: The award shall consist of a plaque so inscribed as to indicate the name of the award, the recipient's name, the year of the award, and the name of the association making the award. In addition to the plaque, the recipient shall receive a check for \$500.00 to be used in any manner the recipient desires.

ELIGIBILITY: Any person who serves in an instructional leadership position in Georgia public education is eligible for the award if he/she meets the following qualifications:

1. Is fully certified in Instructional Supervision (I.S.) or in Administration and Supervision (A.S.) at the fifth-year level or beyond.
2. Is employed full time in an instructional leadership position in Georgia public education.
3. Has had five years of experience in an instructional leadership position in Georgia public education.
4. Holds current membership in:
 - Georgia Association of Curriculum and Instructional Supervisors
 - District GACIS organization
 - National Association of Supervision and Curriculum
 - Development and/or other national associations related to area of specialization.
5. Has not been a former recipient of the Distinguished Service Award at the state level.

CRITERIA: Selection of the recipient shall be based on distinguished service in the area of instructional leadership at the local, district, region, state and national levels. The service rendered shall be judged as performed primarily for improvement of instruction.

Procedures for Nomination and Selection: The Georgia Association of Curriculum and Instructional Supervisors in each district shall nominate one prospective candidate each year for the distinguished service award. The recipient of the award shall be selected from the candidates named by the districts.

Specific procedures to be used in the nomination and selection are as follows:

DISTRICT LEVEL:

- a. Candidates may be nominated for the award by instructional leaders at the district level. Supporting data shall be provided as indicated on the application form.
- b. Each district shall submit one nomination to the state selection committee not later than June 30 each year. (Procedures for selection and recognition of nominees at district level may be determined by each district.)

STATE LEVEL:

- a. A state selection committee of three persons, consisting of the president of the association and the two immediate past recipients of the Distinguished Service Award for Supervision of Instruction shall consider the nominations made from each district and shall select the winner of the award. Should one of the three designated persons be unable to serve, the third past immediate award recipient would serve. (The continuing member of the committee shall serve as chairperson.)
- b. The president of the association shall arrange for the preparation and presentation of the Distinguished Service Award for Supervision of Instruction at the Annual Fall Conference of the Association, following the Johnnye V. Cox Lecture. Only the winner will be recognized at the Annual Fall Conference.

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