

SHAPE *Teacher of the Year* Awards

Adapted, Elementary, Middle, High School

Description and Criteria

I. PURPOSE: To recognize and honor physical educators who have shown exemplary leadership in developing and administering programs of exceptional quality.

II. CRITERIA:

- A. Candidate's major responsibility is teaching physical education at the elementary, middle, or high school levels.
- B. Candidate must have a minimum of five years teaching experience.
- C. Candidate should meet the following qualifications:
 - 1. Serves as a professional role model.
 - 2. Utilizes best practices to create a positive learning environment for all students.
 - 3. Exhibits commitment through involvement in professional organizations and advocacy.
 - 4. Maintain professional certification to teach Health or Physical Education and provide evidence of on-going professional development within the previous 5 years.
- D. Candidate is a current member of SHAPE Washington.
- E. Candidate must be a member of SHAPE America to be considered for Northwest District Physical Education Teacher of the Year.
- F. To ensure qualifications to move on to Northwest District and Nationals go to:
<http://www.shapeamerica.org/recognition/awards/toy.cfm>

III. AWARD CRITERIA

Below are the five award criteria's. Please outline your qualifications for each criterion. Write no more than one page of text for each. The applicant should outline qualifications relevant to the criteria; consideration is based on your responses for the criteria.

- 1. Conducts an appropriate physical education program as reflected in the student's individualize education programs and generally accepted standards of practice for physical education.
- 2. Utilizes various teaching methodologies and plans innovative learning experiences to meet the needs of all students.
- 3. Serves as a positive role model epitomizing personal health and fitness, enjoyment of activity, and sensitivity to the physical and emotional needs of all students.
- 4. Participates in professional development opportunities.
- 5. Provides service to the profession through advocacy, consultation, in-service training presentations and/or active membership in related professional organizations.