

General Criteria for Vermont-NEA Human & Civil Rights Awards

Vermont-NEA

- 1) Accepts nominations without regard to race, color, creed, gender, gender identification, sexual orientation or national origin.
- 2) Reserves the right to present no award or to select a nominee other than the person or organization nominated for the award.
- 3) Presents awards to nominees as selected by the Vermont-NEA Human/Civil Rights Committee and approved by the Vermont-NEA Executive Committee.

Nominees

- 1) May be individuals, schools, NEA affiliates, or organizations working in the area of human and civil rights.
- 2) Must be NEA members if eligible for membership.
- 3) Must not have performed the activities that meet the awards criteria as part of compensated Association staff responsibilities.

Nominators

- 1) Must be Vermont-NEA members.
- 2) Must make nominations for specific awards.
- 3) Must submit a single, completed nomination on official Vermont-NEA nomination form that includes:
 - * Nomination Form
 - * Cover letter
 - * Criteria Eligibility Form
 - * Other materials which support the nomination (optional)
- 4) **Must have nomination forms and documentation postmarked, delivered or faxed on or before the March 1 deadline to:**

**Vermont-NEA, 10 Wheelock Street, Montpelier, VT 05602
Fax: 802-223-1253**

Nominations that do not meet these criteria will not be considered.

Vermont-NEA Human and Civil Rights Award

- 1) Awarded to a K-12 student(s) whose activities have protected, supported, or furthered the human and civil rights of others.
- 2) Awarded to the educator(s) whose activities have protected, supported, or furthered the human and civil rights of students and/or people in the education profession.
- 3) Awarded to the person(s) whose activities have protected, supported, or furthered the human and civil rights of others.

NOMINATION FORM

Nominee Information

For which of the awards is the nomination made? Circle one: 1 2 3

Name(s): _____

Home Address: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Local Association: _____

Local Association President: _____ Phone: _____

Nominator Information

Name of Nominator: _____

Home Address: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Email: _____

Local Association: _____

Local Association President: _____ Phone: _____

CRITERIA ELIGIBILITY FORM

Explain how your nominee meets one or more of the following criteria:

1)	Initiate or support a project or activity that furthers the rights of others.
2)	Initiate or support a project or activity that furthers the educational opportunities of others.
3)	Initiate or engage in a project or activity that raises awareness of diversity issues.
4)	Consistently champions human and civil rights.
5)	Demonstrates heroism and inner strength in the area of human and civil rights.
6)	Exemplifies and acts on belief in human and civil rights.
7)	Deserves this award for other reasons. (Explain.)