



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

DR. ANTONIA PANTOJA BILINGUAL EDUCATION ADVOCACY AWARD

The purpose of this award is to recognize the extensive work and contributions of individuals who advocate for bilingual education and the educational rights of ELLs/bilingual learners in New York State.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Members of the community at large are eligible to receive this award (e.g. elected officials, community leaders, and members of public or private agencies, etc.).
- The most important attribute is the candidate's ongoing advocacy work to ensure quality and equitable bilingual education for all bilingual learners in New York State and in their own communities.
- Candidates should be widely respected and admired within the communities for whom they advocate.
- Prior recipients of this award are not eligible for nomination.
- **The nominee must be a member of NYSABE.**

NOMINATION PACKET:

In addition to the completed **nomination form**, the **supporting documentation** to be submitted by the nominator must include:

- **A nomination letter:** This letter must provide evidence of the nominee's demonstrated support for bilingual education programs. It must state how the nominee has assisted in developing clear goals for quality and equitable educational services for ELLs/bilingual learners; has created an awareness of the importance of bilingual education among the various sectors, such as government, business, and industry; has shown the ability to clarify and improve attitudes toward bilingual education, and has developed a relationship of mutual respect to achieve acceptance of bilingual education in the community at large.
- **Three letters of recommendation:** The letters, written by people other than the nominator, must address the evidence of the nominee's advocacy work described above.
- **Nominee's Statement:** This statement details the nominee's beliefs and practices regarding bilingual education (200-250 words).
- **One copy of nominee's résumé or vita.**

NOTE: Each supporting document must be double-spaced and should not exceed four typed pages.
All documents must be in either **MS WORD** or **PDF format**.

**Nominations must be submitted electronically to our conference website
no later than Sunday, December 18, 2016.**

*To complete the NOMINATION FORM and
UPLOAD the supporting documentation, please visit:*

www.nysabe.net/2017conference

Faxes will not be accepted.

**March 2-4, 2017 - Crowne Plaza Hotel - White Plains, New York
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