

**Call for Awards Nominations**

Nominations for the Outstanding High School Chemistry Teacher to be presented at the 2019 ACS-GHS Fall Banquet are now being accepted.

**Outstanding High School Chemistry Teacher**

The award for **Excellence in High School Teaching** in the Local Section

**Purpose:** To recognize, encourage, and stimulate outstanding teachers of high school chemistry in the ACS - Greater Houston Section.  The Greater Houston Section of the ACS consists of the following counties: **Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Hardin, Harris, Liberty, Montgomery, and Walker.**

**Nature:** The ACS Greater Houston Section Award for Excellence in High School Teaching consists of $500 cash award from the Local Section and a plaque. These will be presented at the ACS-GHS Fall Awards Banquet.

**Rules of Eligibility**: The nominee must be actively engaged in the teaching of chemistry or a chemical science in a high school (grades 9-12) within the territory of the ACS-GHS.  The nomination should clearly demonstrate as many of the following attributes as possible:

* The quality of the nominee’s teaching; unusually effective methods of presentation should be emphasized;
* The nominee’s ability to challenge and inspire students;
* Extracurricular work in chemistry or a chemical science by the nominee, including science fairs, science clubs, and activities that stimulate the interest of young people in chemistry and related sciences;
* A willingness to keep up-to-date in the field, as evidenced by the pursuit of a higher degree in chemistry or a chemical science, enrollment in refresher courses and summer institutes, regular attendance at scientific meetings, membership in professional organizations, and other means of self-improvement;
* Evidence of leadership and/or active involvement within the profession.

Required components:
1.      A complete application that consists of the Nominee Information Form, the Nominator Information Form, the Nominator Recommendation of not more than 1,000 words submitted by the nominator according to the guidelines outlined on the Recommendation Form.
2.      A curriculum vitae or resume that includes a list of the nominee’s honors, professional activities, and additional evidence of service to the profession.  This must be limited to no more than two pages and the activities listed must have occurred within the past five years.
3.      At least one, but not more than three, letters of support.  **One must be from the teacher’s current principal or supervisor**.  Additional letters of support may be sent by colleagues, members of the American Chemical Society who are familiar with the nominee’s achievements, or former students and parents of former students.

Nominations for this award should be submitted via email to **Lisa Houston at** **acs-ghs@acs-ghs.org****.**

**American Chemical Society-Greater Houston Section Map**





**2019 ACS Greater Houston Section Award for Excellence in High School Teaching**

**Award Checklist and Coversheet**

**Local Section:**

**Nominee:**

**Nominator:**

**DEADLINE: May 30**

The following items are required components for a Nomination Portfolio. Please check each item contained in the portfolio. This list, submitted by the nominator, will serve as the cover to every submitted portfolio.

[ ]  Nominator Information Form

[ ]  Nominator Recommendation Letter of no more than 750 words

[ ]  Nominee Information Form

[ ]  Nominee’s Statement on Teaching Philosophy of no more than 500 words

[ ]  Nominee’s Current CV:
A curriculum vitae or resume that includes a list of the nominee’s honors, professional activities, and additional evidence of service to the profession. This must be limited to no more than two pages and the activities listed must have occurred within the past five years.

[ ]  Additional Recommendations or Letters of Support (no more than 400 words):
**One must** be from the teacher’s current principal or supervisor.
**Up to two** additional letters of support may be sent by colleagues, members of the American Chemical Society who are familiar with the nominee’s achievements, or former students and parents of former students.

**May 30, 2018** is the deadline for submitting nominations to the ACS-GHS Awards Chair. Please allow sufficient time to meet this deadline. The *nominator* should submit all forms electronically to **Lisa Houston at** **acs-ghs@acs-ghs.org****.** Any individual, except a member of the awards selection committee or a current student of a nominee, may nominate or support a nominee during any given award year.



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**Nominator Information Form**

**Local Section:**

**Nominee:**

**Nominator:**

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**Nominator Information**

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| Name: |       |
| Company or Institutional Affiliation: |       |
| Present Position (Exact Title): |       |
| Address: |       |
| City: |       |
| State and Zip: |       |
| Telephone: |       |
| Fax: |       |
| e-mail: |       |
| Relationship to Nominee |       |



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**Nominator Recommendation**

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You may type or paste your narrative below or you may attach the narrative as a separate document.



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**Reference Form**

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**Nominee:**

**Nominator:**

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**Nominee Information**

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| Name: |       |
| School: |       |
| City: |       |
| State and Zip: |       |



**2019 ACS Division of Chemical Education Southwest Region Award for Excellence in High School Teaching**

**Reference Form**

**Reference Information**

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| --- | --- |
| Name: |       |
| City: |       |
| State and Zip: |       |
| Telephone: |       |
| Fax: |       |
| e-mail: |       |
| Relationship to Nominee |       |

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