

## PROFILES OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in nominating your outstanding educational program or practice for MREA's annual Profile of Excellence award! We look forward to sharing your nomination with our membership.

Consider these criteria and questions as you think about programs and practices that worked well in your classroom, school or district this year:

- Innovation -- What made this program unique?
- Benefit to Students -- How did your students benefit from this program?
- **Collaborative Effort** -- What other individuals, groups and/or agencies worked on developing this program?
- Ease of Adaptability -- How can other districts replicate this program?

All submissions will be reviewed by a panel of judges who will rate entries based on the above criteria. If you think you have an award-winning program or practice, tell us more about it by nominating your program.

## Your entry must include the following:

- 1. District Name and Number
- 2. Contact Person's Phone Number and e-mail address
- 3. Contact Person's Address
- 4. Entry Title
- 5. Program information
  - a. Briefly describe your program.
  - b. What was the purpose of this program?
  - c. What made this program unique?
  - d. How did students benefit from this program?
  - e. How can you quantify the success of the program?
  - f. What individuals, groups and/or agencies worked on developing this program?
  - g. How can other districts replicate this program?
- 6. Media -- Include names and email addresses of your local media for announcing winning programs.



## **Submission Format:**

- Entries must be received by the last Friday in June.
- Entries must be submitted in Microsoft Word format. Supporting materials may be submitted in Microsoft Word or Adobe pdf format.
- Any photographs submitted must be in jpg format and include consent to be reproduced for the MREA publications and website.
- Entries must be emailed to mrea@mnrea.org.

Please keep in mind that nominated programs must have been taught and/or implemented in the most recent academic year. Also, programs that have received an award from the Profiles of Excellence competition in previous years are ineligible.

Send your entry and supporting materials as an attachment to: mrea@mnrea.org. You will receive a confirmation email stating MREA received your entry. If you do not receive a confirmation email by June 30, call the MREA office at 320.762.6574.

All nominees will be invited to host a "best practices" display table/booth at the Gallery Walk on Tuesday morning of the Annual Conference. Participation at Gallery Walk is not a prerequisite for winning.

Award winners will be announced in the fall and awards presented at MREA's Annual Conference Banquet on the Monday evening of the conference at Cragun's Resort in Brainerd, Minnesota. Winners will receive two complimentary tickets to the banquet.