October 1, 2019

Aloha School Counselors!

Each year, the Hawaii School Counselor Association seeks out exemplary School Counselors from our schools in Hawaii. Our 2018 Hawaii School Counselor of the Year, Desiré Desoto, from Waianae High School, was one of 6 Finalists from across the country for the National School Counselor of the Year Award. This year’s nomination window is now open, and we are seeking candidates for consideration for the 2020 Hawaii School Counselor of the Year Award!

Here’s a few characteristics that may make an outstanding School Counselor:
• Runs a solid School Counseling program – using individual, group and classroom guidance lessons
• Looked to as a leader in the school community
• Serves as an advocate for all students
• May have innovative methods of engaging students that would serve as a great model for other School Counselors in the state
• Assists students in being College and Career Ready

If you’d like to nominate yourself or another School Counselor for consideration, please complete the attached form, and submit it with a description of how the nominee demonstrates the characteristics of an outstanding school counselor that our Awards Committee can use to select the “best of the best” in our School Counseling field.

All nominations must be emailed to hawaiisca@yahoo.com by 5:00 pm, Saturday, November 30, 2019 for consideration.

Should you have any questions, please contact us at hawaiisca@yahoo.com.

Mahalo,

Ian Tanita
President
Hawaii School Counselor Association

Enclosure
HAWAII SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION
SCHOOL COUNSELOR OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

Name of nominee: ___________________________________________________________

Nominated for:       _____ Elementary School Counselor of the Year
                                     _____ Secondary School Counselor of the Year

Current HSCA Member: _____ Yes       _____ No       _____ Not sure

Email Address of nominee: ___________________________________________________

Employment site: ___________________________________________________________
Business phone: ___________________________________________________________

Number of years of counseling experience: ________
(Must have 3 years experience by end of 2019-2020 school year)

Name of nominator: _________________________________________________________
Position: _________________________________________________________________
Employment site: ___________________________________________________________
Address: __________________________________________________________________
Business Phone: __________________________________________________________

Attach supporting materials to this nomination form. In order to ensure the selection process is impartial, please do not mention the nominee’s name and place of employment in the supporting materials.

Supporting materials to include:    a) Examples of leadership
                                       b) Services to school and community;
                                       c) Innovations and contributions to counseling
                                       d) Additional comments (i.e., other accomplishments and recognitions, personal qualities)

Nominations must include a description along with any evidence of how the nominee demonstrates characteristics of an outstanding school counselor

The nomination materials will become the property of HSCA and will not be returned.

Email completed nomination packet (by 5 pm, Saturday, November 30, 2019) to:
ahawaiisca@yahoo.com