

# “BEST OF THE BEST”

This award recognizes and honors outstanding members of TAFCE who have given over and beyond the norm in the performance of duties as a volunteer, though unselfish acts for the betterment of their community.

## GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATION

1. Nominee must be an active member of TAFCE.
2. Three (3) letters of recommendation and three (3) forms of documentation must accompany each nomination form. Letters of recommendation may be submitted by members or non-members of **fce**.
3. The three (3) letters of recommendation highlighting the accomplishments of the nominee should include:
  - ◆ A stated reason for nominating the individual.
  - ◆ Examples of how the **fce** member (nominee) has actively promoted and/or marketed **fce**.
  - ◆ Accomplishments and participation in **fce** (i.e. local, region, state) in the last 10 years.
  - ◆ Recognition and awards in **fce** or other organizations.
  - ◆ Membership or participation in community related activities.
4. Documentation is limited to three (3) 8 ½ x 11 pages (front side of page only). Support documentation can be newspaper articles, pictures or other relevant information. Do not submit original articles or photos. Entries can be digital photographs or copies of articles, photographs or other information. (Committee will not be responsible for original articles or photographs.)

**A total of six (6) pages for both letters of recommendation and documentation.**

5. Must be submitted in a plain three (3) ring portfolio.

### COUNTY GUIDELINES

Each county may submit one nominee. If a nominee is not selected at the regional level as a “Region Winner,” that individual may be nominated again by their respective county another year.

The county Vice President for Public Policy or County Council President should submit the nominee to the Region Vice President for Public Policy or designated Education Chair by region’s deadline.

### REGION GUIDELINES

The Region Vice President for Public Policy or Education Chair should have an independent panel of judges to select a region nominee. The nominee information will be forwarded to the TAFCE Vice President for Public Policy no later than August 1 of each year.

(Best of the Best Guidelines continued)

There will be one nominee from each of the three regions (i.e. Western, Central and Eastern). Each region may submit only one nominee and this individual may not be submitted as a nominee from the respective region for a two-year time period.

The nominee from each region will receive a gift and monetary award of \$25.00 from TAFCE, to be presented during the annual TAFCE state conference.

**STATE GUIDELINES**

An independent panel of judges will be appointed to select the “BEST OF THE BEST” state award recipient from the three region winners. The committee’s selection will be based on the information provided by the nominating region (refer to Guidelines for Nomination above).

The “BEST OF THE BEST” state award recipient will receive a commemorative gift and a monetary award in the amount of \$50.00 from TAFCE, to be presented during the annual TAFCE state conference.

The state award recipient will not be eligible for nomination or recognition for the “BEST OF THE BEST” award in the future.

All entries MUST comply with the published guidelines. Nominations that do not follow the guidelines will not be consider for competition.

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County Due Date \_\_\_\_\_

Region Due Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
To Region Chairperson

State Due Date: August 1  
to State Chairperson