

2021 NCASC Awards Nomination Forms
for recognition at the virtual State Convention ~ March 12-13, 2021
These are awards for which member schools may submit nominations.

NCASC Hall of Fame

The North Carolina Association of Student Councils honors student council members who have been nominated by their home student council for distinguished service to their student council. Nominees are recognized at the annual state convention and inducted into the **NCASC Hall of Fame**.

Purpose of the award

The Hall of Fame was created to allow local councils an opportunity to recognize and honor outstanding student council members each year. To allow statewide recognition of Hall of Fame nominees will be mailed their certificate and a copy of the letter of nomination after the convention.

Requirements for the award

To be eligible for Hall of Fame recognition, a student must:

- be recommended by a North Carolina Association of Student Councils member school (middle schools are encouraged to nominate students as well as high schools)
- have demonstrated distinguished and outstanding service as defined by his or her student council

IMPORTANT: Schools should be judicious in the number of nominees submitted. Only students who have demonstrated exemplary dedication, achievement, and service should be nominated. NCASC desires to maintain a high standard for induction. The Hall of Fame honor is not intended to recognize a student just because he/she is graduating.

Nomination for the award

NCASC member schools that wish to honor a student council member should **nominate the student through a formal letter of nomination specific to that student** and be submitted on the Hall of Fame Nomination Form. The letter should include background on the student's contributions to the school's council, the number of years the student served on the council, any particular accomplishments or achievements and any pertinent personal information. **Any student nominated will automatically be inducted.**

2021 Convention Recognition Information

A nomination letter (and photograph if possible) must be submitted on the Hall of Fame Nomination Form no later than **February 26, 2021**. Each nomination must be submitted on a new form.

[Link to the NCASC Hall of Fame Nomination Form](#)

Kate Parks Kitchin Adviser of the Year Award

The North Carolina Association of Student Councils, its executive board, and its member schools annually honors an outstanding student council adviser in our state. The award is named in memory of Miss Kate Parks Kitchin for her years of dedication and unselfish service to the NCASC, its districts, divisions and local councils in North Carolina. Miss Kitchin served as the Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Student Council Congress from 1952-56 and was student council adviser at Rocky Mount High School. She was also credited with being the first guidance counselor in the state. She was instrumental in developing the program for advisers at the summer leadership workshop. Miss Kitchin provided endless inspiration, leadership, and countless hours to help promote the importance of having well-trained student leaders and a strong student council. The initial award was presented in 1977.

Selection Criteria

1. A minimum of 3 years of service as a student council adviser and is presently serving as an adviser of a NCASC member school.
2. Ability to work with student leaders on all levels as well as with faculty, administration and community.
3. Has been actively involved in work with the NCASC.
4. Has shown in some way or at some time dedication to the Student Council cause and principles.
5. Shows ability to inspire leadership, dependability and responsibility by being an example in these areas.
6. An individual can receive the award only one time.

2021 Convention Recognition Information

A nomination letter from the Student Council President and a nomination letter from the School Principal (and photograph of the nominee, if possible) must be submitted on the Kate Parks Kitchin Adviser of the Year Award Form no later than **February 26, 2021**. If the nominator is a student who is not the Student Council President, he/she may also submit a letter of nomination.

[Link to the Kate Parks Kitchin Adviser of the Year Award Nomination Form](#)

Richard Cansler Administrator of the Year Award

The North Carolina Association of Student Councils, its executive board, and its member schools annually honors a school administrator who has provided outstanding support to his/her school's student council and has vigorously encouraged student leadership training activities. No student council can reach its full potential without the support of a truly dedicated administrator. It is our mission to honor those exceptional administrators who have built strong bonds between themselves and their local councils. The award honors the contributions of Mr. Richard Cansler, who served as principal of Garinger High School and West Charlotte High School and served on the NCASC Executive Board for fifteen years. Mr. Cansler promoted student council activities at all levels, allowed his schools to host various events, and he attended student council events from the division to the national level.

Selection Criteria

1. A minimum of 3 years as an administrator and presently serving as an administrator.
2. Must be or has been an administrator of a member school.
3. Has shown the ability to work with student leaders, faculty, and community.
4. Actively initiates leadership opportunities and development.
5. Has shown involvement with NCASC in some manner, e.g., encourages Student Council.
6. An individual can receive the award only one time.

2021 Convention Recognition Information

A nomination letter from the Student Council President and a nomination letter from the Student Council Advisor (and photograph of the nominee, if possible) must be submitted on the Richard Cansler Administrator of the Year Award Form no later than **February 26, 2021**. If the nominator is a student who is not the Student Council President, he/she may also submit a letter of nomination.

[Link to the Richard Cansler Administrator of the Year Nomination Form](#)

Nan Abell Award for Distinguished Service

The North Carolina Association of Student Councils honors local student council advisers who have met specified criteria by awarding them the **Nan Abell Award for Distinguished Service**. The award is named for Nan Abell, who retired from Garringer High School in 1991 after providing 40 years of leadership as a student council adviser, district and state executive director.

Purpose of the award

The Abell Award was created to allow local councils an opportunity to recognize and honor outstanding student council advisers as they complete their years of service. Recognition through the Abell Award is meant to honor outstanding dedication and commitment on the part of educators, many of whom serve their councils for years with little or no compensation. To allow statewide recognition of Abell Award winners, the awards will be presented to eligible recipients at the State Convention in the year in which the advisers are nominated.

Requirements for the award

To be eligible for the Abell Award, an adviser must:

- have served at least 10 years as an adviser of a North Carolina Association of Student Councils member school
- be retiring from the school or stepping down from the adviser position after having served as a sponsor for at least ten years.

Nomination for the award

NCASC member schools that wish to honor a student council adviser should nominate that adviser through a formal letter of nomination. The letter should include background on the adviser's contributions to the school's council, the number of years the adviser served, any particular accomplishments or achievements and any pertinent personal information. **Any adviser meeting the criteria will automatically be presented an Abell Award upon completion of the Nan Abell Award for Distinguished Service Form.**

2021 Convention Recognition Information

A nomination letter from the Student Council President, Co-Advisor, or Principal (and a photograph of the nominee, if possible) must be submitted by completing the Nan Abell Award for Distinguished Service Form no later than **February 26, 2021**.

[Link to the Nan Abell Award for Distinguished Service Form](#)