

Call for Nominations

2023 Outstanding Alumni Award School of Education & Human Development Texas A&M University

General Description

The *Outstanding Alumni Award* is the highest honor the School of Education and Human Development (SEHD) can bestow upon its former students. The Texas A&M SEHD is globally recognized for its role in developing leaders across many areas of education and human development who have achieved recognition and distinction. Since 2004, the school has been honoring individuals who have made outstanding contributions in their chosen fields with significant impact, innovation, and influence in the school, in their community and beyond. The Outstanding Alumni Award does more than honor its recipients. It also further illustrates the great value of the academic programs and student involvement at the SEHD at Texas A&M and increases the pride all former students, students, staff, and faculty have for the University and our school. The award program recognizes those men and women who demonstrate the power of the Aggie experience to the people of Texas, the nation, and the world.

The SEHD is now accepting nominations for the 2023 Outstanding Alumni Award through

Friday, September 15, 2023.

Eligibility

Individuals, living or deceased, meeting the following eligibility requirements, will be considered for recognition:

- Graduate of the School of Education and Human Development at Texas A&M University (undergraduate
 or graduate), as well as graduates under the "previous names" of the school who have made significant
 contributions to society, and whose accomplishments, affiliations, and careers have honored the legacy
 of excellence at the SEHD.
- 2. Not a previous recipient of the Outstanding Alumni Award or Early Career Alumni Award for a second time.
- Individuals may be nominated for the *Early Career Alumni Award* a graduate that has earned his/her
 degree within the past three to seven years and meets the award criteria listed below. Those that win the *Early Career Alumni Award* are eligible to receive the Outstanding Alumni Award once they have
 completed seven years post-graduation from the SEHD.

Criteria

The school will recognize/honor its graduates who contribute to Texas and the nation based upon consideration of one or both of the following criteria:

- 1. Evidence of outstanding contributions or leadership within their chosen fields across their community, state and the nation through professional service, public service and/or civic activities
- 2. Provides extraordinary support for the benefit of the school
- 3. Recipients maybe accomplished in the three distinct areas as outlined below. This distinction will be reflective of Texas A&M University's core values Excellence, Integrity, Leadership, Loyalty, Respect and Selfless Service. The three areas are:
 - a. Professional Achievement and Career or Military Service Distinction: The recipient attained prominence through his or her efforts in commerce, industry, technology, the professions, agriculture, the

arts, education, government, military, or other worthy endeavors that form a record of accomplishment impressive to the citizens of Texas and the nation.

- b. Service to Society: The recipient exhibits integrity and a demonstrated commitment to service through an interest in bettering the lives of others through volunteer efforts.
- c. Service and Support to SEHD and Texas A&M University: The recipient's deeds and actions reflect the importance of his or her educational training, pride in alma mater and loyalty to SEHD and Texas A&M, as demonstrated through their interest in and support of the SEHD, the University, and their programs.

Nomination Packet Requirements

Nominations packets are reviewed annually, and honorees are selected by a committee. The nominator must provide all materials pertinent to the nomination. **The complete nomination file is limited to 12 pages.**

The following items are required:

- Nomination form: https://education.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/Outstanding-Alumni-Nomination-Form2.pdf
- 2. CV/Resume (three-four pages preferably) to include:
 - a. Nominee's education (degrees, honorary degrees, names of institutions, year conferred)
 - b. Nominee's awards (professional, community, business, etc.)
 - c. Nominee's accomplishments and contributions
- 3. Statement of Nominee's "Transformational Moments" throughout their career
- 4. One nomination letter (two-page limit)
- 5. Two letters of support (two-page limit per letter)
- 6. Nominees may include newspaper and magazine articles, personal stories, awards or certificates of achievement, or other items of interest.