

Call for Nominations – 2024 Outstanding Alumni Award

Submission Deadline: Friday, September 6, 2024

The *Outstanding Alumni Award* is the highest recognition the College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) bestows upon its former students. Since 2004, this award has served to honor recipients while highlighting the impact our College's programs make on communities in Texas and beyond, as well as fostering pride among former students, faculty and staff.

Nominees for the *Outstanding Alumni* award must have earned their latest degree at least seven years ago. You can also nominate a former CEHD student for the *Early Career Alumni* award if they earned their degree within the past three to seven years.

Eligibility

To be considered for recognition Individuals, living or deceased, must meet the following requirements:

1. Graduate of the College 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 CEHD.
2. Not a previous recipient of the Outstanding Alumni Award or Early Career Alumni Award for a second time.

Note: Recipients of the *Early Career Alumni Award* are eligible to receive the *Outstanding Alumni Award* once they have completed seven years post-graduation from CEHD.

Criteria

The College 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 College
3. Recipients may be accomplished in the three distinct areas as outlined below. This distinction will reflect Texas A&M University's core values – Excellence, Integrity, Leadership, Loyalty, Respect and Selfless Service. The three areas are:
 - **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.

- **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.
- **Service and Support to CEHD 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 CEHD and Texas A&M, as demonstrated through their interest in and support of the CEHD, the University, and their programs.

Nomination Packet Requirements

Nominations packets are reviewed, and honorees are selected by a committee.

The following items are required:

1. Nomination form: <https://education.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Outstanding-Alumni-Nomination-Form.pdf>
2. Nomination letter (two-page limit) should 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. Two letters of support (two-page limit per letter)