

Eligibility Criteria and Nomination Questions

I.E. Ready Lifetime Achievement Award

This prestigious award honors individuals who make significant statewide contributions to the North Carolina Community College System. Recipients of this award demonstrate leadership and commitment to the enhancement and development of the System, impacting multiple service areas or contributing to the betterment of the entire state.

Examples of Significant Statewide Leadership:

- <u>Statewide Impact</u>: Nominees actively contribute to the advancement of more than one service area within the North Carolina Community College System, influencing positive outcomes across the Great 58 or in multiple regions.
- <u>Leadership and Advocacy</u>: The nominee leads efforts to advance education across the state, including governance, policy development, or advocacy for the System at both the local and state levels.
- <u>Support and Commitment:</u> Nominees exhibit a strong commitment to community colleges and the mission of the System, whether through financial support, innovative initiatives, or dedicated service.
- <u>Addressing Challenges:</u> The nominee actively addresses challenges within the community college framework, contributing to solutions that benefit the System and its stakeholders.

Eligibility Requirements:

- **Current Employment:** The nominee cannot be actively employed at a community college or the System Office.
- **Impact:** The nominee's contributions should be notable across multiple service areas or the entire state.

Nomination Questions:

What area of the North Carolina Community College System does the nominee serve?

- Advocate for Community College System
- o Retired Local Community College President, Faculty, or Staff
- Local Board of Trustees
- o Former State Board of Community Colleges Member
- Former NC Community College Foundation Member



o Retired System Office Staff

Statewide Impact:

- 1. How has the nominee contributed to the advancement of more than one service area within the North Carolina Community College System?
- 2. Can you provide specific examples of how the nominee's work has positively influenced outcomes across multiple regions or the Great 58?

Leadership and Advocacy

- 3. In what ways does the nominee demonstrate leadership in advancing education across the state?
- 4. What role has the nominee played in governance, policy development, or advocacy for the North Carolina Community College System at both local and state levels?

Support and Commitment:

- 5. How does the nominee show their commitment to community colleges and the mission of the System?
- 6. What examples can you provide of the nominee's financial support, innovative initiatives, or dedicated service to the community colleges?

Addressing Challenges:

- 7. What significant challenges within the community college framework has the nominee actively addressed?
- 8. Can you describe how the nominee has contributed to solutions that benefit the System and its stakeholders?

Overall Impact:

- 9. Why is this nominee particularly well-suited for the I.E. Ready System Leadership Award?
- 10. What sets this nominee apart in their contributions and leadership within the North Carolina Community College System?