

# SHAPE FLORIDA AWARDS DEFINED

## *The following Awards will be awarded by the Association*

**Peter Everett Honor Award** - *SHAPE* Florida's most prestigious award, the Peter Everett Honor Award, is bestowed in recognition of outstanding professional contributions to *SHAPE* Florida professions. Awarded to a long-term *SHAPE* Florida member who has served at several levels - local, state and district and/or nationally (no less than 5 years of membership). Meritorious service and distinctive leadership are two important criteria for consideration for this award. No more than two (2) such awards may be awarded each year.

**Community Service** - The community service award may be given to an organization, individual or media group for contributions and service to health and wellness issues related to *SHAPE* Florida disciplines. This award is presented by *SHAPE* Florida. The number of Community Service awards that may be made each year will be based upon the merits of individual programs reviewed.

**Diversity Advancement Award – The Diversity Advancement Award** is presented annually to any professional member of *SHAPE* Florida who has amassed a relevant and sustained leadership record of advocating for, enhancing and advancing diversity, equality, and inclusion within the fields and environments represented by this profession. Nominees must be a current member of *SHAPE* Florida having held membership for at least 5 years. Criteria includes: demonstrated and/or modeled the importance and benefits of promoting diversity, equality and inclusion in any aspect of the profession, to include, but not limited to curriculum, programming, policies, mentoring, opportunities, employment, or participation; raise awareness, promote and support the values of diversity, equality and inclusion across the profession; and fosters an environment that celebrates differences. No more than one (1) such award may be awarded each year in this category.

**Don Knitt Service Award** - The Don Knitt Service Award recognizes an individual *SHAPE* Florida member(s) making a significant contribution to the *SHAPE* Florida organization. This award shall be given when uniquely deserved and is therefore not necessarily an annual event, though multiple awards may be presented in any year. The Don Knitt Service Award shall be awarded by *SHAPE* Florida and presented as a non-monetary award during the annual convention. Criteria include: current *SHAPE* Florida member with a minimum of three years of continuous membership; made a significant contribution to *SHAPE* Florida and/or a primary element or unit therein; demonstrated exceptional leadership and/or service, professional ethics and a passion for *SHAPE* Florida's mission.

**Honorary Life Membership** - The Honorary Life Membership Award is presented by *SHAPE* Florida to retired professionals who have served *SHAPE* Florida and the profession with excellence and distinction over an extended period of time. This award is presented by *SHAPE* Florida. The number of Honorary Life Membership awards that may be made each year will be based upon the merits of applications reviewed.

**Katherine W. Montgomery Scholarship** - The scholarship is awarded to a maximum of two (2) recipients per year. Applicants must be a full-time student majoring in Health Education, or Physical Education and attending a university in the state of Florida. The Scholarship is \$500

and is good for one year. The candidate shall be a rising junior or senior and have passed the required tests that will allow them to enter the major field at a Florida Senior College/University. The candidate shall have need of financial aid as determined by the student's statements and statements of college/university professor, academic advisor, and/or Department Head. The candidate shall have exhibited interest in the field of their choice and in teaching or working with people as determined by high school and college activities, work (paid and volunteer) experiences, and the recommendations of teachers, academic advisors, and/or Department Heads. The candidate shall have exhibited the capacity to do upper division college university academic work as determined by lower division grades, lower division courses, ACT or SAT scores, and CLAST scores. The scholarship support shall be paid from the interest received from a scholarship fund established by students of the late Miss Katherine W. Montgomery. The Student Representative and Student Representative Elect are eligible for nomination.

**Legislative Award** - The *SHAPE* Florida Legislative Award is bestowed upon Florida legislators or other noteworthy persons who make a significant impact on *SHAPE* Florida legislative and/or advocacy goals in a given year or over a period of several years. This award (s) is generally appropriate for state-wide advocacy and support, rather than local advocacy and support. Unless special circumstances exist, the award(s) is not necessarily presented each year; yet on years when the award(s) is presented, no more than three (3) awards may be presented each year in this category.

**Manny Harageones Program Recognition Award** - The award recognizes exemplary or outstanding programs in Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Dance or Sport. Any Elementary or Secondary public or private school or public recreation agency program may be recommended for recognition. Nominations may be made by anyone having knowledge of the program. The *SHAPE* Florida Manny Harageones Program Recognition Award is bestowed on programs in recognition of unique and innovative contributions to program development in Health, Physical Education, Recreation, Sport, or Dance. The number of recognition awards that may be made each year will be based upon the merits of individual programs reviewed. Qualifications: At least one member of the staff must be a member of *SHAPE* Florida. There must be written evidence that the overall program has established guidelines and policies. Evidence must be provided that the overall program provides a wide variety of activities based primarily upon student needs. Limitations: The programs that have been recognized for a specific innovative process cannot be considered for recognition in the same process area for another five (5) years. However, the same school may be recognized at an earlier date for different aspects of its program.

***SHAPE* Florida HEART Award** - Created in 2012, for inaugural awarding in 2013 by *SHAPE* Florida and the Physical Education Division, the *SHAPE* Florida HEART Award is bestowed on schools to recognize program excellence in Physical Education in Florida. Modeled after the former NASPE STARS Program and sponsored by the Florida Sports Foundation, the *SHAPE* Florida HEART Award stands for 'Having Excellence and Rigor in Teaching'. The program application and review process is a criterion based assessment that singles out those exceptional physical education programs for distinction. The *SHAPE* Florida HEART Award is a five-year designation, which with re-evaluation can be renewed every five-years. Schools earning distinction as a *SHAPE* Florida HEART Award recipient will be awarded apparel, a banner and modest funding. The *SHAPE* Florida HEART Award will be presented during the *SHAPE* Florida Convention each fall to one or more qualified, exceptional school physical education programs. At the discretion of this committee, a sub-committee could be created to assist with the review and selection process.

**The following Awards will be awarded by the Health and General  
Division**

**Council of District Administrators Council (CODA)** - The Council of District Administrators award is presented to a member of CODA for distinguished and enduring professional service to the disciplines recognized under the CODA mission. These disciplines typically include health education, physical education, dance education, and sport. No more than one award is presented each year in this category.

**Health Education Teacher of the Year (TOY)**- The Health Education Teacher of the Year award is presented to a SHAPE Florida member who is an exemplary K-12 health teacher in Florida. A minimum of 50% of total job responsibilities of nominees must be teaching health education at the time of application and selection. The award criteria for the Health TOY Award corresponds with the same award from SHAPE America. The annual Florida recipient of this award automatically advances as the Florida Health TOY to the Southern District SHAPE America award selection process. No more than one award is presented each year in this category.

**Outstanding Future Professional (formerly Student of the Year)** - The Outstanding Future Professional Award honors an outstanding future professional member of *SHAPE* Florida, majoring in health, physical education, dance and/or a professionally related field. The nominee serves as a positive role model for the profession and their peers in the following areas: leadership, scholarship, and service during the nominee's undergraduate professional preparation. College professors or others familiar with the student's academic and service activities make these nominations. No more than one award is presented each year in this category.

**Educational Leadership** – The Educational Leadership award recognizes an educator with at least 3-years of experience at the college/university level. Criteria includes that the candidate demonstrates evidence of leadership and service to the profession through at least 3 of the following: teaching, publications, presentations, funded research or programs, special projects, or health/physical education-related activities. No more than one award is presented each year in this category.

**Distinguished Advocate Award** - This award recognizes Superintendents, Administrators, or School District Personnel who are supportive of health and physical education programs based on established criteria. No more than three awards may be presented in this category each year with no more than one award per county/school district. (*SHAPE* Florida membership not required for this award.)

**The following Awards will be awarded by the Physical Education  
Division**

**Physical Education Teacher of the Year (TOY) Awards (5)**

The Physical Education Teacher of the Year awards are presented to members who are exemplary elementary, middle, high school, dance, and adapted physical education teachers in Florida. Nominees must be current members of SHAPE Florida. A minimum of 50% of total job

responsibilities for nominees must be teaching in the nominated category at the time of application and selection. The award criteria for the elementary, middle and high school, dance, and adapted awards correspond with the same awards from SHAPE America. The annual Florida recipients of these five awards automatically advance as the Florida nominees to the Southern District SHAPE America award process. No more than one award in each category (elementary, middle, high, dance, and adapted) is presented each year in this category.

**Sport Professional of the Year Award** - The Sport Professional of the Year award was established by the Physical Education Division to honor outstanding SHAPE Florida member leaders in the professional domain of Sport. A sport professional is defined as a professional who conducts sport related programming, or an administrator in the educational, private, or public sport-related domains of the division. The nominees should come from those working in sport related areas (athletic directors, coaches, athletic trainers, sport management professionals, etc.). The award criteria correspond with the Southern District Association of SHAPE America. No more than one award is presented each year in this category.

**NOTE:**

The award nomination process is an online process only. Any member may nominate any other member for any award. Self-nomination is not permitted and is not accepted. All award recipients must be *SHAPE* Florida members except for the Community Service Award, Legislative Award, and the Distinguished Advocate Award. Current voting members of the *SHAPE* Florida Board of Directors and Council Chairs or Chair-elects are not eligible for any awards except for the Student Representative and Student Representative-elect.

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