

LEE NELSON YOUNG BAND DIRECTOR AWARD

(Three letters of recommendation must accompany the nomination form.)

The Lee Nelson Young Band Director Award was established in 2009 by the SWIBA Board Members and General Membership to recognize the accomplishments of our friend and mentor, Lee Nelson. The award was named for Lee Nelson, who retired after a long and distinguished career that included 35 years at Harlan Community Schools. Band directors nominated for this award must be current SWIBA and IBA members in their third through tenth years of teaching. Winners of the award will be recognized at the SWIBA HS Honor Band Concert and will receive a personalized engraved plaque. Please use number 1-6 below to nominate a colleague for this award.

Name of Nominee _____ Years Experience _____

School _____ Email _____

Home Address _____ City/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Other Phone (if applicable) _____

Nominator _____ Position _____

Name of Nominator _____

School _____ Email _____

Home Address _____ City/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Other Phone (if applicable) _____

Notification of award results will be sent to both the nominator and the nominee prior to January 1, 2012.

1. The nominee must be a current member of SWIBA and IBA.
2. The nominee must be actively teaching in Southwest Iowa.
3. The nominee must be in his/her third through tenth year of teaching.
4. A band program biography will be requested from the nominee.
5. At least three letters of recommendation must accompany the official nomination. These must be collected by the primary nominator, and forwarded with the official nomination form. The following sources should be represented:
 - An administrator from the nominee's current program
 - Another music educator
 - A current student/parent
6. Letters of recommendation should answer the following questions. Be brief but specific.
 - Does the candidate demonstrate an interest in the total band program? Explain.
 - How has the nominee's teaching made an impact on students?
 - How does the nominee develop and sustain growth within his/her program?
 - How has the nominee shown motivation toward professional growth and involvement?

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE NOMINATION FORMS! POSTMARK FOR ALL MATERIALS MUST BE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 24, 2011.

Return nomination materials to:
Andy Walters – BTM Productions
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Omaha, NE 68106