



## Outstanding Instructional Leader 2024

The Outstanding Instructional Leader Award for CASCD is designed to acknowledge and honor educators who have made a significant contribution to student learning, influencing and advocating for professional growth, and demonstrating instructional leadership to ensure success for each learner. Any individual actively involved in education who meets the criteria may be nominated. **Due by December 15, 2023**

### CASCD Outstanding Instructional Leader Award

This award will be given annually to recognize an individual educator who has significantly contributed to education in California. This educator will have significantly impacted/influenced public education in educating the whole child either through influence, advocacy, leadership, or teaching. The award nomination is given in recognition of [Helen Heffernan](#) who has provided California with outstanding service, keen insight, vision and leadership in curriculum and instruction. The individual being recognized will receive this award at a board meeting or another meeting of their choice. The Membership/Governance Committee and Executive Director will recommend an individual yearly for this award.

### Timeline for California Outstanding Instructional Leader Award

- October-December 2023 – Announcement and distribution of nomination forms
- December 15, 2023 – Deadline for award nomination acceptance
- January 2024 – G/M Committee and CASCD Executive Director review nominations and make selection recommendation(s).
- February 2024 – CASCD Board of Director votes on selection recommendation
- March 2024 – Public announcement of winner

### Nomination Requirements

- Nominations must be made by a CASCD member.
- The nomination portfolio must contain the following: a completed nomination form and a minimum of two letters of support. No more than three letters of support will be accepted for each nominee.
- The nomination must be made on an official form and submitted to CASCD Board Member, Cheryl Casagrande with “OIL Nominee” in the subject line. These forms are available on the CASCD website ([www.cascd.org](http://www.cascd.org)). If you have any questions, please contact CASCD Executive Director, Kathleen McCreery at [cascd@cascd.org](mailto:cascd@cascd.org).

## Selection Criteria

To be considered for the Outstanding Instructional Educator Award, nominees must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be actively involved in the education field in California.
2. Must have demonstrated the vision, courage, leadership and commitment to the improvement of education in California that has resulted in the active promotion, and/or adoption of fundamental change(s) in statewide policies and/or practices in the field of education.
3. Must be a person whose contributions and reputation are widely known and respected within California.
4. Must be a person whose engaging and inspiring leadership motivates and impacts colleagues and community.
5. The person submitting this nomination must be a current member of CASCD.
6. Goals and contributions to the field of education by the nominee must be supportive of the vision, mission and goals of ASCD and/or CASCD.
7. Previous recipients of the Outstanding Instructional Leader Award are ineligible for nomination and selection.
8. It is expected that the recipient will make a commitment to receive the award in person at the designated award ceremony.

# California ASCD Outstanding Instructional Leader Award Nomination Form 2024

## Directions

Please review the criteria prior to submitting a nomination for this award. If submitting the nominee's resume, complete section 7 only. If resume is unavailable, complete all sections of the nomination form in their entirety. Partially completed forms will be ineligible for consideration. Person submitting this nomination must be a member of CASCD, although the nominee need not be a member of CASCD. The selection committee will contact you if additional information is needed.

1. Nominee: See resume

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Professional  
Position: \_\_\_\_\_

School/District/Place of  
Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (W): \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Educational Background: See resume

Last degree received: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Concentration: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Educational Employment

History: See resume

4. List the most important academic honors the nominee has received: See resume

5. List the most important educational and scholarly organizations in which the nominee is an active member: See resume

6. List the most important community or civic honors the nominee has received: See resume

Person Submitting the Nomination form:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (W): \_( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (C): \_( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return/email the completed nomination form and 2-3 letters of support NO LATER THAN December 15, 2023 to:**

California ASCD  
P.O. Box 1841  
Oroville, CA 95965  
Email: [cascd@cascd.org](mailto:cascd@cascd.org)