MEMORANDUM

FROM:        Alison Lundergan Grimes

SUBJECT: 2014-2015 Outstanding Civic Educator Award

As Kentucky’s Secretary of State and chief advocate for civic engagement, I am constantly inspired by young Kentuckians who exhibit the values, skills, and enthusiasm that are the hallmarks of engaged, responsible citizens. And I know that behind each of them is an unsung hero who invested his or her own talents and energy into the success of this state and its youth.

The Kentucky Outstanding Civic Education Leadership Award highlights and rewards these individuals for their extraordinary efforts to promote civic engagement among Kentucky students.

Any P-16 teacher, school administrator, educational leader, legislator, or community leader who has made notable contributions toward promoting or implementing civic learning to prepare students to be engaged and responsible citizens is eligible for the Award. I encourage you to distribute the enclosed application materials and the web address listed below to individuals you believe may wish to apply or nominate a colleague.

One finalist will be selected from each Kentucky High School Athletic Association Sweet 16 region. Prizes, including a plaque for each finalist and a $1,000 award to be used to further the winner’s civic education programs or initiatives, will be presented at a ceremony during the KHSAA Men’s Basketball Sweet 16 Tournament in Lexington.

This opportunity to recognize leaders who are devoted to ensuring a bright future for our state and help them continue their good work would not be possible without my co-sponsors, the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Kentucky Department of Education. In addition to a financial contribution, AOC will judge the applications/nominations. I am grateful to our partners for their generous sponsorships of this program.

The enclosed materials and additional information regarding the Award are available on the Secretary of State’s website, www.sos.ky.gov. And if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Bradford Queen in my office at bradford.queen@ky.gov or 502-782-7403.
Kentucky Outstanding Civic Education Leadership Award
2014-2015 Guidelines and Criteria

Co-Sponsored by:
- Office of Kentucky Secretary of State
- Administrative Office of the Courts
- Kentucky Department of Education

Frequency: Annual

Award:
- $1,000 awarded to Kentucky Outstanding Civic Education Leader to be used to further the winner’s civic education program or initiatives
- Commemorative gift/plaque for 16 regional finalists
- Awards will be given during the KHSAA Men’s Basketball Sweet 16 Tournament in Lexington, KY, date and time TBA (finalists and award winner are encouraged to attend).

Purpose: To recognize a P-16 teacher, school administrator, educational leader, legislator, or community leader who has made notable contributions toward promoting or implementing civic learning to prepare students to be engaged and responsible citizens.

Criteria:
- Demonstrated outstanding leadership in classrooms and/or the community by promoting and strengthening high-quality civic education practices through instruction, programming, research, advocacy, and/or legislation in Kentucky. High-quality P-16 civic education practices are characterized by:
  - instruction in government, history, law and democracy
  - discussion of current local, national, and international controversial issues and events in classrooms and/or the community
  - opportunities for students to engage in simulations, service-learning projects or other real world applications of democratic process and procedures
- Demonstrated ability to foster the development of democratic beliefs and values, skills and dispositions needed for citizen participation appropriate to students’ grade level in classroom, school, and community settings.

Eligibility: Currently perform work relevant to P-16 students in the Commonwealth.

Application/Nomination Requirements:
- Cover Page
- Curriculum vitae or professional resume: Maximum three pages, including dates of applicant/nominee’s offices, committee posts or other professional roles.
- Narrative: Describe how the applicant/nominee meets the criteria – Up to three pages, double-spaced.
- Letters of Support (Optional): Maximum of three letters supporting your application/nomination.
- Supporting Documentation (Optional): Up to ten one-sided pages of documentation that supports the Narrative. Evidence might include clear reproductions of newspaper articles, lesson plans, student work samples, professional presentations, publications, and/or written testimonials.

For more information on the Kentucky Outstanding Civic Education Leadership Award, please visit www.sos.ky.gov or contact Bradford Queen at bradford.queen@ky.gov.

Deadline:
Emailed or Received by February 27, 2015

Send to:
Email: Bradford Queen, bradford.queen@ky.gov
Mail: Kentucky Secretary of State, c/o Bradford Queen, 700 Capital Ave., Ste. 152, Frankfort, KY 40602
Fax: (502) 564-5687 Attention: Bradford Queen
## Kentucky Outstanding Civic Education Leadership Award

**Application/Nomination**

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As the applicant/nominator, I have enclosed a completed application/nomination packet.

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- **Publicity Outreach** -- Please provide the name, contact name and contact information for:
  - Major local newspaper/publication
  - Direct supervisor

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Signature of Applicant/Nominator  Date
Kentucky Sweet Sixteen Regions

REGION 1
District 1 - Carlisle County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Hickman County
District 2 - Heath, Lone Oak, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland
District 3 - Ballard Memorial, Graves County, Mayfield, St. Mary
District 4 - Calloway County, Christian Fellowship, Community Christian (Paducah), Marshall County, Murray

REGION 2
District 5 - Crittenden County, Livingston Central, Lyon County, Trigg County
District 6 - Henderson County, Union County, Webster County
District 7 - Caldwell County, Dawson Springs, Hopkins County Central, Madisonville-North Hopkins
District 8 - Christian County, Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, University Heights

REGION 3
District 9 - Apollo, Daviess County, Owensboro, Owensboro Catholic
District 10 - McLean County, Muhlenberg County, Ohio County
District 11 - Breckinridge County, Frederick Fraize, Hancock County, Meade County
District 12 - Butler County, Edmonson County, Grayson County, Trinity (Whitesville)

REGION 4
District 13 - Franklin-Simpson, Logan County, Russellville, Todd County Central
District 14 - Bowling Green, Greenwood, South Warren, Warren Central, Warren East
District 15 - Allen County-Scottsville, Barren County, Glasgow, Monroe County
District 16 - Clinton County, Cumberland County, Metcalfe County, Russell County

REGION 5
District 17 - Central Hardin, Elizabethtown, Fort Knox, John Hardin, North Hardin
District 18 - Caverna, Green County, Hart County, LaRue County
District 19 - Bardstown, Bethlehem, Nelson County, Thomas Nelson, Washington County
District 20 - Adair County, Campbellsville, Marion County, Taylor County

REGION 6
District 21 - Beth Haven, Fairdale, Holy Cross (Louisville), Pleasure Ridge Park, Valley
District 22 - Butler, DeSales, Doss, Iroquois, Western
District 23 - Bullitt Central, Evangel Christian, Moore, North Bullitt, Southern
District 24 - Bullitt East, Fern Creek, Jeffersontown, Mercy (G), Whitefield Academy

REGION 7
District 25 - Central, DuPont Manual, Portland Christian, Presentation (G), St. Francis
District 26 - Assumption (G), Brown, Louisville Collegiate, Male, St. Xavier (B)
District 27 - Atherton, Sacred Heart (G), Seneca, Trinity (Louisville) (B), Waggener

REGION 8
District 29 - North Oldham, Oldham County, South Oldham, Trimble County
District 30 - Anderson County, Collins, Shelby County, Spencer County
District 31 - Carroll County, Eminence, Gallatin County, Henry County, Owen County
District 32 - Grant County, Simon Kenton, Walton-Verona, Williamstown

REGION 9
District 33 - Boone County, Conner, Heritage, Cooper, Ryle
District 34 - Dixie Heights, Lloyd Memorial, Ludlow, St. Henry District, Villa Madonna
District 35 - Beechwood, Covington Catholic (B), Covington Latin, Holmes, Holy Cross (Covington), Notre Dame (G)
District 36 - Bellevue, Dayton, Highlands, Newport, Newport Central Catholic

REGION 10
District 37 - Bishop Brossart, Calvary Christian, Campbell County, Scott, Silver Grove
District 38 - Deming, Harrison County, Nicholas County, Pendleton County
District 39 - Augusta, Bracken County, Mason County, St. Patrick
District 40 - Bourbon County, George Rogers Clark, Montgomery County, Paris

REGION 11
District 41 - Frankfort, Franklin County, Western Hills, Woodford County
District 42 - Bryan Station, Henry Clay, Sayre, Scott County
District 43 - Lafayette, Lexington Catholic, Lexington Christian, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Tates Creek
District 44 - Berea, Madison Central, Madison Southern, Model

REGION 12
District 45 - Boyle County, Danville, Garrard County, Kentucky School for the Deaf, Lincoln County
District 46 - Burgin, East Jessamine, Mercer County, West Jessamine
District 47 - Casey County, Pulaski County, Rockcastle County, Somerset
District 48 - McCreary Central, Monticello, Southwestern, Wayne County

REGION 13
District 49 - Clay County, Jackson County, North Laurel, Oneida Baptist, Red Bird
District 50 - Corbin, South Laurel, Whitley County, Williamsburg
District 51 - Barbourville, Knox Central, Lynn Camp, Pineville
District 52 - Bell County, Harlan, Harlan County, Middlesboro

REGION 14
District 53 - Cordia, Jenkins, Knott County Central, Letcher County Central
District 54 - Buckhorn, Hazard, Leslie County, Perry County Central
District 55 - Breathitt County, Jackson City, Riverside Christian, Wolfe County
District 56 - Estill County, Lee County, Owsley County, Powell County

REGION 15
District 57 - Johnson Central, Lawrence County, Magoffin County, Paintsville, Sheldon Clark
District 58 - Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Piarist, Prestonsburg, South Floyd
District 59 - East Ridge, Pikeville, Shelby Valley
District 60 - Belfry, Phelps, Pike County Central

REGION 16
District 61 - Bath County, Fleming County, Menifee County, Rowan County
District 62 - East Carter, Elliott County, Morgan County, West Carter
District 63 - Greenup County, Lewis County, Raceland, Russell
District 64 - Ashland Blazer, Boyd County, Fairview, Rose Hill