

The

Rod Vahl AWARD

*Iowa High School Journalism
Teacher of the Year*

Each year at our Fall Conferences, the Iowa High School Press Association presents an outstanding teacher with this award to acknowledge excellence in teaching and advising. Please nominate a teacher or adviser who has had an outstanding school year.

Eligibility

The nominee must be a current adviser and/or journalism teacher at an IHSPA member school.

An adviser may be responsible for one or more of the following:

- ~newspaper/newsmagazine
- ~yearbook and/or video yearbook
- ~literary magazine
- ~photography
- ~a student TV or radio station

A teacher may teach any one or more of the following:

- ~beginning or advanced journalism or journalistic writing
- ~photography
- ~a yearbook, newspaper or broadcast production course

Letters of Nomination

One letter of nomination is required, but up to three from different individuals will be accepted. The maximum length for each individual letter is two typed pages, a maximum total of six pages if you send three letters.

The following individuals may nominate a deserving teacher or adviser:

- ~An adviser or teacher may nominate him or herself.
- ~An adviser or teacher may nominate any other adviser or teacher.
- ~A principal or superintendent may nominate any adviser or teacher.
- ~A parent of a student may nominate a teacher or adviser.
- ~A student (or group of students) may nominate an adviser or teacher.

Nominators might consider including the following areas in letters of nomination:

- ~innovation in teaching and publications advising
- ~reviving or building a journalism program or publication
- ~special projects that involve student publications
- ~articles about journalism teaching written by the nominee
- ~special awards, achievements or recognition

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Your letters of nomination should be attached to this form and mailed to the address below. At the option of the judges, one winner and two honorable mentions will be recognized during the Fall Conferences.

Nominee _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Nominator(s) _____

Address of One Nominator _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

On or before May 1, send this form to:
IHSPA Vahl Award
Adler Journalism Building, Room E346
University of Iowa
Iowa City, IA 52242-2004