



# Outstanding School Board Award

The New Jersey Music Educators Association seeks nominees for the Outstanding School Board Award. NJMEA presents an award to a local school board at the Membership Luncheon during the February NJMEA State Conference. This award acknowledges and awards outstanding school boards who exemplify superior support and commitment for quality music programs throughout all the grades of the school district.

**Selection by the NJMEA committee is based on the following criteria:**

A local school board must demonstrate the following:

- A. A significant contribution in support of the development of the district music program. This should include superior programs of sequential, curriculum-based music education.
- B. Advocacy for music education within the school district.
- C. Financial support commensurate to support a superior music education program of general, choral and instrumental music.
- D. Willingness to accept the award if it is bestowed and to participate in publicizing it.

**Nomination:**

- 1. Completed nomination form.
- 2. A statement from the School Board President or other officer of the school board in which a rationale is put forth for accepting consideration of the nomination.
- 3. A statement of support from the district superintendent which describes the district music education programs to be considered as evidence of achievement in music education.
- 4. A letter of support from two or more of the music teachers.
- 5. A letter of support from two local citizens, public officials or parents.
- 6. A black and white photograph of the school board suitable for publicity purposes including a list of their names as they are in the picture and the number of years they have served on the board.



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This form should be completed by the local school district and the nominator.

Name of school district \_\_\_\_\_

School district address \_\_\_\_\_

School district telephone number \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions in support of your nomination. Use a separate sheet.

1. How long have the members of the school board served? (Give names and length of service.) How long is a single term?
2. Describe how the board has contributed to the development of music education within the school district.
3. Describe any exemplary music programs in the school district that have been developed and implemented under this board's direction.
4. Have students or programs in the school district won awards for achievement or recognition in music?
5. How have members of the school board been active advocates for music and arts education?
6. Please add any other information that supports your nomination.

**Signatures:**

Superintendent of Schools \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

School Board Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

District Music Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Application must be postmarked by October 15th**

Send the form, photograph, and support materials to:

**NJMEA  
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Oakhurst, NJ 07755**