

The Robert Knight Award for Distinguished Service to Middle-Level Education

The Robert Knight Award for Distinguished Service to Middle-Level Education was founded in 1997 to honor Robert Knight who devoted his career to helping young adolescents learn and grow. It is with great respect and admiration for Mr. Knight that the Association of Illinois Middle-Level Schools has chosen to recognize his work by establishing this award.

This award will be presented to honor other individuals whose works have demonstrated an outstanding dedication and commitment to middle-level students and their education. This award may not be granted on an annual basis. It will be presented at such time as a person is nominated who warrants recognition of this distinction.

A candidate for this award should:

- be known as a person of outstanding character;
- exhibit a high regard for middle-level students;
- demonstrate a high level of service to the Illinois middle school movement (e.g. Led district/school to a more middle grades minded focus OR presented at AIMS/NMSA events);
- have been involved for a minimum of ten years with the education of young adolescents in this state;
- have made significant impact on middle-level education in Illinois.
- have been or be a member of AIMS

After a nomination is received by the AIMS Executive Director, the award committee (made up of 2 former award winners, 1 current AIMS Board member and 1 Award Sub-Committee member) will review the nomination and make a recommendation to the AIMS Board of Directors. The AIMS Board will make a final determination whether or not to present the award.

The following documentation must accompany the nomination:

1. A least three but no more than five letters of reference and support that speak directly to the stated criteria (one could be from a current or former student).
2. A completed professional profile (see below).

Nominator:

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Work Address: _____

Phone (Home): _____ (Work): _____

Position: _____

Nominee:

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Work Address: _____

Phone (Home): _____ (Work): _____

Mail completed nomination forms and materials to:

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