



Lower Hudson Council of School Personnel Administrators Outstanding Educator Essay Contest

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\$500 Donation - Awarded to the Outstanding Educator

The Lower Hudson Council of School Personnel Administrators (LHCSPA) is committed to excellence in the field of education. To support this goal, LHCSPA is sponsoring the annual *Outstanding Educator Essay Contest*. The LHCSPA Memorial Scholarship has been established in memory of the fine educators who have made a difference in the lives of the students they serve.

The winning student author will receive a **\$1,000 scholarship award and a certificate** and the Outstanding Educator will receive a **\$500 donation for school supplies and a certificate**. The winner will present his/her essay and be recognized at an end of the year LHCSPA meeting.

Process for Participation

Each school district may nominate **ONE** (1) student essay writer from the 2024 high school graduating class who captures the essence of why a teacher or educator of their choice deserves to be recognized as an Outstanding Educator. Districts with more than one high school may nominate a student from each high school. Essays must be original and 500-700 words in length and must appropriately highlight the qualities, actions and behaviors that set this educator apart from others, making him or her truly *outstanding*.

Judging of Essays

In each essay, the LHCSPA Review Committee seeks evidence of the basis for the nomination as an Outstanding Educator. Essays should highlight and illustrate exactly what makes the educator outstanding. Students may write about the educator's commitment, motivation, inspiration or innovative approaches used to foster student success. In addition to the criteria identified, the essay must reflect a high degree of competency in standard written English.

The deadline for the essay submission is **May 28, 2024**.

To submit an essay, [CLICK HERE](#).

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