

2024 Spirit of Excellence Awards and Recognition Program

To recognize the spirit of excellence in the out-of-school time field, Harris County Department of Education's CASE for Kids presents its annual award and recognition program. These awards will honor the dedication and commitment to professionalism, quality and excellence within the afterschool profession. All awards and recognition will be presented at the CASE for Kids End of Year Celebration on May 3, 2024.

Nominate yourself, your program or a colleague to recognize outstanding achievements and commitment to the field. Click [here](#) to access the form. Nominations must be submitted by March 18, 2024.

SPIRIT OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS:

Outstanding Leadership-Comprehensive Program Afterschool Site Coordinator

An afterschool director or site coordinator who supervises a comprehensive afterschool program and front-line staff and who excels in fostering high quality programming.

Outstanding Achievement- Comprehensive Program Afterschool Frontline Staff Member

A front-line staff member in a comprehensive program who demonstrates extraordinary dedication to positive youth development.

Outstanding Leadership by an Afterschool Provider Supervisor

An afterschool provider supervisor who supervises instructors and who excels in fostering high-quality programming and challenging learning opportunities.

Outstanding Achievement by an Afterschool Provider Frontline Staff Member

A front-line instructor who excels in providing high-quality, challenging learning experiences in the areas of academics, health and wellness, arts and creativity or positive youth development.

Outstanding Leadership by an Afterschool Administrator

An administrator who demonstrates commitment to the afterschool field and promotes the importance of high-quality programs.

Community Connection Champion

An afterschool program that utilizes community members or organizations in a meaningful way to improve the quality of the out of school time program.

Innovative Practices Champion

A program that is implementing cutting-edge programming to encourage deeper learning and to challenge young people to act as scientists, inventors, collaborators and problem-solvers.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: For more information about the awards, please contact Kathy Evans via email at kevans@hcde-texas.org or 713-696-1369.