**NCSPA HONORARY MEMBERSHIP**

**Purpose of the Award:**

As provided for in NCSPA’S Constitution and By-Laws, individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the profession of school psychology may be nominated by any member of the association for honorary membership. The By-Laws require that nominations for honorary membership shall be made in writing to the Membership Committee Chair and confirmed by a two-thirds majority of the voting members of the Executive Board. The following process for consideration of applicants for honorary membership was approved by the Executive Board October 20, 1990.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

It is the responsibility of the nominating individual to provide sufficient credentials and documentation to describe the nominee’s outstanding contribution to the profession of school psychology. Examples of outstanding contributions include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Life-long employment in the field of school psychology with evidence of strong commitment to the mental health and educational needs of children.
2. Longstanding participation in the executive functioning of local, state, and/or national state psychology organizations.
3. Evidence over a period of several years of development, implementation, and dissemination of innovative and effective programs and/or research which has a significant impact on the provision of school psychological services.

**Nomination and Selection Process:**

This application for honorary membership will be made to the NCSPA Membership Committee Co-Chair to determine if the nominated individual meets the criteria for NCSPA membership. The Membership Chair then forwards the application to the Awards Committee Chair/s for consideration for recommendation for honorary membership status.

The Awards Committee will review the material sent in support of the nomination during the Awards Committee annual judgement meeting. Upon a vote by the Awards Committee a recommendation will be made to the Executive Board to affirm the nominee’s outstanding contribution to the profession of school psychology. NCSPA’s Executive Board will then vote to provide honorary membership status consistent with NCSPA’s By-Laws.