

# 2023 awards program

## FAQs for region leaders

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### **Why are there two deadlines, one in January and one in February?**

The first deadline, in mid-January, is for all nominations to be submitted for regional review for the Administrators of the Year, Robert E. Kelly, Partners in Educational Excellence and Valuing Diversity Awards, in addition to the two statewide-level awards, Marcus Foster and Ferd. Kiesel. Members need to submit their completed nomination forms through the online platform no later than Jan. 19, 2023. Regions will have access to review and download the nominations.

The second deadline, in early February, is for region leaders to submit their selected state finalists to the state Awards Committee for consideration. You do this by flagging your finalists in the online nomination platform by the deadline of Feb. 9, 2023.

### **How do I get access to the online nomination portal to review my region's nominations?**

Region leaders need to provide a list of their current award managers each year to the statewide awards coordinator. The coordinator will give access to region award managers so they can view all nominations submitted to the region, and ultimately flag their state finalists to move forward.

### **Why can't I see any nominations when I log in? All I see are my own entries.**

Until the first nominations have been submitted in your region (in progress nominations are considered drafts), your account will revert to a basic "Entrant" account. As soon as the first nomination has been submitted, you'll see the Region Review & Selection and Judge entries tabs.

### **Why do I see Marcus Foster and/or Ferd. Kiesel nominations under Judge entries, but not under Region Review & Selection?**

Nominations for the two statewide-level awards go directly to the Awards Committee, with no region review or submission. You can view any submissions from your regions in these categories for informational purposes, but you won't be asked to flag those nominees to send them forward. There are no limits to the number of nominees in either statewide-level category from each region.

### **How do I submit our state finalists on the platform? What do I need to do?**

It's a very simple step to flag your finalists. Under Review Review & Selection, select an award category, and then simply click the small heart-shaped "Vote" button on the nominee you are sending to the state level as your finalist. You can only select one nominee in each category.

### **Can I download my region's nomination forms?**

Yes, you can bulk download nomination forms by category or as a whole under the Judge entries tab. There's a bulk download link at the bottom of the screen, and complete instructions are [available here](#).

### **Is there a way to get training on the online platform?**

Yes, a brief training video is available for region award managers, walking you through the process, at [www.acsa.org/awards](http://www.acsa.org/awards) under Help & Resources. We highly recommend taking a few moments to watch it each year. If you have any questions, you can reach out to the awards coordinator.