

# *Illinois Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation & Dance*



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MID-WEST ASSOCIATION FOR HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND DANCE  
and the  
AMERICAN ALLIANCE FOR HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND DANCE

## **MIDWEST DISTRICT AAHPERD YOUNG PROFESSIONAL AWARD**

### **Application Packet**

#### **Definition**

An educator, defined for the purposes of this award, is an individual who has a major responsibility teaching health, physical education, recreation, or dance for a specific college/university or school system. **This award is geared toward the young professional (10 years or less) currently employed at the university/college level, but any certified educator at any level may apply for this award.**

#### **Award Qualifications**

Any educator who meets the eligibility requirements and exemplifies the criteria for this award may apply, or nominated by a colleague.

Award qualifications include:

1. **This is a State/Midwest District Award and is not awarded at the national level.** The Illinois State award winner will advance to Midwest District AAHPERD for consideration. One award is presented annually. (Please note that the Illinois Young Professional Teacher of the Year Award has a different set of requirements and a different application process)
2. The recipient of the Midwest Young Professional Award will present a session at the IAHPERD State Convention in November.
3. Candidates for the Midwest District Young Professional Award shall have maintained membership for a minimum of the past five years in AAHPERD AND in IAHPERD.
4. Candidates shall have been in the profession for no more than ten (10) years.
5. Candidates shall be persons who have exhibited a devotion to the advancement of health, physical education, recreation and dance or in content areas or in content areas included as part of the divisional structure of MWD AAHPERD.
6. Candidates shall display service to the profession. The following are some illustrations of contributions and it is expected that applicants will have contributed in at least two of the following areas:

#### **Service**

- a. Office holder or committee worker of the American Alliance HPERD, Midwest District AAHPERD, State HPERD Association, and/or affiliated organizations.
- b. Speaker or clinician before educational groups, at conventions, assemblies, and meetings held in the interest and for the promotion of health, physical education, recreation, and dance.

**Teaching** (also includes Coaching, Performing, Supervising, and Directing)

- a. A contributor to clinics, workshops, and state or local health, physical education, recreation, and dance conferences.
- b. Promoter of programs in any of the various areas of health, physical education, recreation, and/or dance at any educational level.
- c. A contributor to the profession whose work has affected its philosophy or practice.
- d. Demonstrator of effective teaching or athletic coaching.

**Scholarship**

- a. Systematic researcher, which has helped to advance the profession.
- b. Author of journal articles on the subject of health, physical education, recreation, and/or dance.
- c. Creator of productions in dance, synchronized swimming, etc.
- d. Recipient of scholarships, fellowships, grant monies, or monetary awards.

**Application Procedures**

1. The Illinois/Midwest District Young Professional Award application packet can be obtained at [www.iahperd.org](http://www.iahperd.org).
2. All application, written documentation, and publicity forms must be filled out completely and typed using Times New Roman 12 point font.
3. Applications that are forwarded to Midwest District for consideration must be on forms that are included in this packet and comply with all guidelines described here or they will not be considered. Application, support materials, and publicity forms remain unchanged from the beginning of the selection process (State) through participation at the Midwest District.
4. Complete the Illinois Application Form and The Illinois Publicity Form (included at the end of the application packet).
5. Include a 3 ½" x 2 ½" (wallet size) photograph that will not be returned.
6. Complete an Award Application Cover Sheet (included at the end of this application packet).
7. Include written documentation demonstrating compliance with the award qualifications (resumes or vitae not accepted).
8. **Include one letter of recommendation from the applicant's administrator or colleague.** The letters should be one to two pages in length with content directly related to the award qualifications providing a biographical sketch outlining the applicant's contributions and how those contributions are deserving of recognition.

### **State and AAHPERD District Selection and Recognition Timeline**

1. IAHPERD District Presidents must receive **six (6) typed and complete applications** by **March 1**. Send your application to your state-district president. Contact information for your Illinois District president is available on the IAHPERD Website: [www.iahperd.org](http://www.iahperd.org). **The State Association (IAHPERD) will re-direct all submitted names and applications for Physical Education Teacher of the Year to the appropriate IAHPERD District President or appointed designee.**
2. State District Presidents will present their District winners to the IAHPERD Recognition/Awards Committee by **April 15**.
3. The IAHPERD Recognition/Awards Committee will present one candidate for the Midwest District Young Professional Award for approval at the **April** meeting of the IAHPERD Executive Board. The state winner will be contacted in early **May**.
4. The IAHPERD Recognition/Awards Committee will submit the Illinois/Midwest District Young Professional Award recipient and his/her application to the AAHPERD Midwest District Recognition/Awards Committee by **August 15**.
5. The Midwest District Young Professional Award winner will be selected at the annual meeting of the Midwest District leadership in **late September or early October**. All winners of this award will be officially notified by Midwest District within two weeks of the Midwest District AAHPERD Leadership Conference.

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**ILLINOIS/MIDWEST DISTRICT YOUNG PROFESSIONAL AWARD**

**OFFICIAL APPLICATION FORM**

**To be completed by nominee**

Detach the application and the publication forms from the rest of the packet and send them along with your responses to the award criteria, letters of recommendation, and wallet sized photo to you the IAHPERD State Awards and Recognition Chair or the IAHPERD Executive Director by **March 1**.

**Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Name You Wish To Be Called: \_\_\_\_\_

Name to Use in Writing (certificates, press releases, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Position/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

**Educational Information:**

	College/University	Major
Bachelors Degree		
Masters Degree		
Doctoral/Prof. Degree		

**Career Information:**

Position

Location

Length of Service

**Professional Affiliations:**

NASPE/AAHPERD Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Membership \_\_\_\_\_  
NASPE Activities (offices, articles, etc.)

District AAHPERD:

District Offices/Divisions or Project Activities:

State AHPERD Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Membership \_\_\_\_\_  
State Offices/Division or Project Activities:

Other Professional Affiliations:

**Significant Achievements in the Field of Physical Education:**

**Community Service:**

(Type and Dates.)

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AWARD**

**PUBLICITY FORM**

**To be completed by nominee**

State: **ILLINOIS**

AAHPERD District: **MIDWEST DISTRICT**

Applicant's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**School District Information:**

Superintendent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Program/Dept Chair's Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

School District Administration Address and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

School District Public Relations Officer (Name, Address, Phone Number): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Newspapers:**

Newspaper: \_\_\_\_\_ Editor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone and Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Television Station:** List the local stations with the broadest coverage (use back of sheet if there is more than one).

Station Name/Call Letters: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone and Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Government Officials:**

State Legislator: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Congress Rep: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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U.S. Senator: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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U.S. Senator: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Others:** list others, including titles and addresses, to which your progress in this program should be reported. Use the back of this sheet if necessary.

**Midwest District of the American Alliance  
for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance  
AWARD APPLICATION COVER SHEET**

Award Category: Midwest District AAHPERD Young Professional Teacher of the Year

**PERSONAL DATA**

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (H): \_\_\_\_\_ (W): \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATION** Institution Major Dates

Bachelors \_\_\_\_\_

Masters \_\_\_\_\_

Doctorate \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Experience (Position/Location/Dates of Service):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS state membership & #** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years AAHPERD Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

State/District/National Service (Committees, Offices, etc. with dates of service):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Community Service & Achievements / Honors (with dates of service):

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The **award cover sheet** must be typed and completed in detail to be considered for an award. This form needs to be accompanied by a **maximum of one page for each of the award qualifications** (typed, double-spaced). In addition, letters of recommendation specifically addressing the applicant's qualifications for the award need to be attached. Resumes or vitae will not be accepted. **Six (6) copies** of the application materials should be mailed to the Midwest Recognition and Awards Committee Chair and be postmarked on or before **August 15** to be included in this year's selection process.