

SOUTHWEST ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION

MOST DISTINGUISHED ATHLETIC TRAINER

(Revised: 9-2017)

Purpose:

The SWATA Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award was developed for the purpose of recognizing a member of District VI whose dedicated service, past achievements, and professional contributions have furthered the advancement of the SWATA and the athletic training profession.

Sponsor:

*Thank you for nominating a NATA Certified or Associate Athletic Trainer for consideration of the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award. As a sponsor **one must be a Member in good standing with NATA/SWATA.***

Candidate:

Congratulations! Being nominated as a candidate for the Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer award is an honor in itself. Your application, along with yearly updates to your application, will be kept on file for three years. If after three years you have not been selected as a recipient, you will have to be re-nominated and a new application submitted.

The attached nomination form has been developed to be “candidate friendly.” Complete, accurate information will help the Committee assess your contributions. Please carefully read and follow all of the instructions for completing and submitting the nomination form.

Qualifications / Eligibility:

Candidates must meet the following criteria for consideration of selection:

- A minimum of twenty (20) years of professional service
- Member in good standing with SWATA/NATA
- Be or have been a member of District VI, working, retired, or deceased
- Elected, appointed, or volunteer service or significant contributions to the SWATA
- SWATA Hall of Fame Members are not eligible for this award

Nomination Form:

Please type and complete the form in its entirety and include all information requested even if answers are duplicated on the candidate's resume/vitae.

The nomination form contains the following six sections:

Section 1 Leadership Activities

Section 2 Service Activities

Section 3 Presentation Activities

Section 4 Honors and Awards

Section 5 Professionalism

Section 6 Other Noteworthy Accomplishments

Letters of recommendation:

The candidate’s application should include two letters of recommendation one from the nominating athletic trainer and one from a physician/athletic trainer colleague or direct supervisor.

Resume or Vitae:

Candidate should enclose a resume or vitae if at all possible with the nomination form to support and supplement the information on the application.

Deadlines:

All materials, including the application form and two support letters of recommendation are required to be submitted electronically to the Chair of the Honors and Awards by **December 15th.**

Evaluation Process:

Applications are submitted on-line by **December 15th** to the Honors and Awards Chair. Candidate’s will be evaluated and scored independently by an anonymous five person committee consisting of Most Distinguished Members. Upon completion of scoring all candidates, the committee member will return all scoring tools to the Honors and Awards Chair by January 1st. The Honors and Awards Chair will collect and tabulate the scores for each candidate and present them to the SWATA President for final approval by January 20th.

Notification Process:

Most Distinguished award winners will be notified by the Honors and Awards Chair on or before January 30th. each year. If the new Most Distinguished award winner for any reason is unable to attend the awards ceremony, it will be their responsibility to appoint someone to accept their award.

Awards Presentation:

The Most Distinguished awards will be provided by SWATA, and will be presented at the Honors and Awards Ceremony.

Checklist:

Be sure you have enclosed all of the following when submitting application:

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| Sponsor: | <input type="checkbox"/> Letter of Recommendation | <input type="checkbox"/> Letter of Recommendation from
Physician/athletic trainer colleague/
Direct supervisor |
| Nominee: | <input type="checkbox"/> Completed and signed application form | <input type="checkbox"/> Resume or Vitae |

SWATA Most Distinguished Sponsor Recommendation/Support Letter

SWATA Most Distinguished Athletic Training award requires two letters: one from the sponsor and one from a physician/director supervisor or athletic training colleague.

The letters should include: Working relationship with the nominee, years the sponsor has known the nominee, knowledge in the field, athletic training skills, community service, service to SWATA/NATA and BOC. The letter should contain any information that makes the nominee a Hall of Fame candidate. Please submit the letter on your business letterhead and submit with all other materials by **December 15th**.

The application will be electronically ***submitted by December 15th***.

Submit Application and Sponsor letters to:
swatahonors@gmail.com

Completion of forms:

Download the application forms to your computer save and then click in the grey box to fill in information. Upon completion save it to your computer and along with the two support letters submit to the Honors and Awards Chair.

**SOUTHWEST ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION
MOST DISTINGUISHED CANDIDATE APPLICATION**

Nominee's Name:			
Last	First and "Nickname"	Middle	Credentials

NATABOC Certification #:	NATA Membership #	STATE License #:
Address:		
HOME	Street Address:	
	City, State, Zip:	
WORK	Street Address:	
	City, State, Zip:	
Work Phone:	Home Phone:	
Fax:	E-mail:	
Primary Occupation:		
Secondary Occupation:		
Are you fully retired?	Are you retired, but still active in some career-related areas?	Are you completing this form for a deceased member?
Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No

Degree Earned (in chronological order starting with most recent degree)

Degree(s)	College or University	City, State	Year
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Career History (in chronological order starting with current or most recent position)

Position	Place of Employment	City, State	Year(s)	
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SECTION 1

LEADERSHIP – Local /Regional / State - Office(s) / Committee(s) Chaired

	Organization <i>List up to 5</i>	Appointed or Elected Office <i>(President/Secretary/Treasurer, etc)</i> Committee Chair – Regional Representative, Committee Liaison, Texas Advisory Board Appointment	Year(s)	
			From	To
Ex :	TSATA	Regional Representative	2003	2006
Ex :	GHATS / NTATS / etc.	President	1988	1992
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LEADERSHIP - District 6 / SWATA - Office(s) / Committee(s) - Chaired

	Organization <i>List up to 8</i>	Appointed or Elected Office <i>(President/Secretary/Treasurer, etc)</i> Committee Chair	Year(s)	
			From	To
Ex :	SWATA Executive Board	2 nd VP, VP, President, Past President	1995	1999
Ex :	SWATA	Chair SSATC Committee	2001	2006
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LEADERSHIP - National / NATA / BOC/CAATE - Office(s) / Committee(s) - Chaired

	Organization <i>List up to 5</i>	Appointed or Elected Office (President / Distirct Director / Committee/SubCommittee Chair	Year(s)	
			From	To
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>NATA</i>	<i>Hall of Fame Sub-Committee</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2006</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>BOC</i>	<i>Board of Directors</i>	<i>1988</i>	<i>1992</i>
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SECTION 2

SERVICE – Local / State / Regional - Committee(s) - Member

	Organization(s) <i>List up to 5</i>	Committee Member	Year(s)	
			<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>Texas Dept. of Health</i>	<i>State Licensure Committee</i>	<i>1984</i>	<i>1992</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>GHATS / NTATS, etc.</i>	<i>Social Committee Member</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>2003</i>
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SERVICE – District 6 / SWATA -Committee(s) - Member

	Organization <i>List up to 8</i>	Committee Member	Year(s)	
			<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>SWATA</i>	<i>Women in Athletic Training</i>	<i>1998</i>	<i>2001</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>SWATA</i>	<i>Ethnic Diversity</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>Present</i>
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SERVICE - National / NATA / BOC/CAATE – Committee(s) - Member

	Organization(s) <i>List up to 5</i>	Committee Member	Year(s)	
			<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>NATA</i>	<i>College/University Athletic Trainers' Committee</i>	<i>2002</i>	<i>2005</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>BOC</i>	<i>Test Examiner</i>	<i>1988</i>	<i>2005</i>
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SERVICE: Volunteerism- National/State/ Local/ etc.

	<i>Name of the Organization</i> <i>List up to 7</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Year</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>Texas High School Coaches Assoc.</i>	<i>Football All-Star Game, etc.</i>	<i>2010</i>
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SECTION 3

PRESENTATION – Speaking/Presentations – Local / State / Regional

	Organization <i>List up to 8</i>	Year	Role/mode of presentation (place an X where appropriate)			
			<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Demonstration</i>	<i>Volunteer</i>	<i>Coordinator</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>Texas High School Coaches Association</i>	<i>1998</i>	<i>X</i>			
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>Corpus Christi Student Trainer Clinic</i>	<i>2002</i>			<i>X</i>	
<i>Ex</i> :	<i>UTMB Sports Medicine Conference</i>	<i>2005</i>		<i>X</i>		
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PRESENTATION – Speaker/Presentations - District 6 / SWATA / or Other NATA Districts

Topic <i>List up to 8</i>	District #	Site	Year
<i>Ex: Administrative Issues in Athletic Training</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>TX</i>	<i>2005</i>
<i>Ex: On Field Spine Management</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>GA</i>	<i>2006</i>
<i>Ex: Youth Concussion Assessment</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>CA</i>	<i>2007</i>
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PRESENTATION – Speaker/Presentations – NATA Annual Meeting and Clinical Symposium

Topic <i>List up to 3</i>	Site	Year	Role/mode of presentation (place an X where appropriate)			
			<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Moderator</i>	<i>Panel</i>	<i>Poster</i>
<i>Ex: Computer Technology in the Training Room</i>	<i>Atlanta</i>	<i>2006</i>			<i>X</i>	
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SECTION 4

HONORS & AWARDS - State / Regional – Award(s) / Scholarship(s)

Organization <i>List up to 5</i>		Award/Scholarship/School District/Teacher	Year
Ex :	GHATS	Robert H. Gunn Award	1993
Ex :	El Paso I.S.D.	Teacher/Educator of the Year	2004
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HONORS & AWARDS - District 6 / SWATA – Award(s) / Scholarship(s)

Organization <i>List up to 7</i>		Award/Scholarship	Year
Ex :	SWATA	Eddie Wojecki	2001
Ex :	SWATA	John Harvey Humanitarian Award	2005
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HONORS & AWARDS - National / NATA

Organization <i>List up to 3</i>		Award/Scholarship	Year
Ex :	NATA	Athletic Trainer Service Award	1999
Ex :	NATA	Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award	2002
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Noteworthy Accomplishments

SECTION 5

Professional Membership-Athletic Training-State/ Regional/ National Memberships

	<i>Organization</i> <i>List up to 5</i>	<i>Member of Professional Organizations</i>	<i>Year(s)</i>	
			<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>
<i>Ex</i> :	TSATA	Regional Representative	2003	2006
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	<i>Title of Policy, guidelines, procedures, etc.</i> <i>List up to 5</i>	<i>Date Approved</i>
<i>Ex:</i>	Policies or procedures that encompass the entire IDS, Hospital or Clinic	
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Noteworthy Accomplishments

Please type any information that you feel is pertinent to the candidate's applications. This section scores up to 5 additional points.

CANDIDATE SIGNATURE

By typing my name below I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information above is correct.

Candidate Signature:

Date:

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(The following will be completed by the Honors & Awards Chair)

Questions: call or e-mail:

817-781-7382

swatahonors@gmail.com

