



Awards Policy

May 2017

EdTechSA has three awards. These are:

1. EdTechSA Educator of the Year
2. EdTechSA Leader of the Year
3. EdTechSA Leading Light

An additional award, the ISTE endorsed Making IT Happen Award, is presented by the Management Committee for members who have given outstanding service or make significant contribution to the Association. It also acknowledges contribution and innovation in the field of educational technology.

This policy aligns to the Awards policy of the Australian Council of Computers in Education (ACCE). To facilitate the inclusion of EdTechSA award winners in the national and international awards process, the selection criteria for the Educator and Leader of the Year awards for EdTechSA and ACCE are identical.

The timeline for the implementation of this policy has been designed to ensure that the recipients of these awards have the opportunity to attend the World Teachers' Day ceremony hosted by the Council of Education Associations (CEASA) held in early October and nominate for the Australian Council of Computers in Education (ACCE) awards which close on October 31st annually.

SELECTION PROCESS

The selection committee for all awards will consist of a panel selected by the EdTechSA Executive Committee who will consider the submissions according to the criteria. The selection committee will not involve the EdTechSA representatives who are also applicants for the awards. The EdTechSA President or a nominee will chair the selection committee. Successful applicants may not necessarily fulfil all criteria for progress to the ACCE awards selection process.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Applications can be made online by 5pm on Monday 19 September 2017, (no extensions are possible).

Submissions for the awards of Educator and Leader of the Year are each limited to a three page nomination statement which addresses the criteria for the relevant award, and a curriculum vitae of no more than two pages.

Submission for the award of Leading Light is limited to a one page nomination statement which addresses at least three of the criteria for the award of Educator of the Year, and a curriculum vitae of no more than two pages.

ELIGIBILITY

Educator and Leader of the Year

To be eligible for awards of Educator and Leader of the Year a candidate must be an individual member of EdTechSA.

Recognition

Recipients of these awards:

- receive a \$500 cheque for the Educator and Leader of the Year awards, and a framed certificate
- are recognised on the EdTechSA web site and invited to present at the next EdTechSA conference
- may be nominated as the EdTechSA candidate for the relevant ACCE award
[* Note that it is \$500 per award i.e. the monetary value is shared between joint winners].

Leading Light

Candidates for this award do not need to be an individual member of EdTechSA.

All individuals working in educational settings, including but not limited to South Australian schools, higher education, non-profit organisations, community groups and industry are eligible for the award of Leading Light.

Recognition

Recipients of this Award:

- receive a certificate and a year's Individual membership of EdTechSA. If already an individual member, recipients may choose either an additional year's membership, or to gift this year's membership to a colleague.

EdTechSA Educator of the Year

This award is intended to recognise the importance of the work of South Australian teachers who are contributing to the use of ICTs in their schools. Administrators in schools, district and regional personnel and people attached to offices of school systems also contribute to learning, schools and the professional computer education community, but this award focuses on recognising the efforts of classroom-based educators. Nominees must be based in a school and considered a member of the teaching staff of that school.

Criteria for Selection

Candidates should submit an application that contains a brief curriculum vitae and organises evidence under the following headings. The evidence should show that the applicant is respected as a leader and innovator both internal and external to their own institution.

- Significant positive impact on technology use in education; locally, regionally, state wide, nationally, worldwide.
- Efforts to involve the community in the initiative or program to facilitate partnerships with business and/or organisations to advance the use of technology in education.
- Works tirelessly to genuinely improve the quality of education.
- Integrates deliberate planning in an effort to improve education through the use of technology.
- Education and/or work experience has been significantly advanced in the nominee's workplace as a result of the nominee's efforts.
- Active member of professional organisations.
- Contributed to the profession by presenting at professional conferences, seminars and/or workshops or publishing articles in print or through electronic media.
- Work can be used as a model.
- Will represent EdTechSA well in all forums.

HISTORY OF AWARD – RECIPIENTS' ROLL CALL

Year	Name	School
2016	Jackie Chambers	St Andrews School
2015	-	
2014	Jacki Knipe	Modbury West Primary School
2013	Kim Martin	Star of the Sea School
2012	Christine Haynes	Immanuel Primary School
2011	Tina Photakis	Cowandilla Primary School
2010	Cherie Pickering	Seaford R-12 School
2009	-	
2008	Sue Urban	Wilderness School
2007	Graham Taylor	Thebarton Senior College
2006	Judy Beal	Woodcroft Primary School
2005	Al Upton	Glenelg Primary School
2004	Peter Ruwoldt	Grant High School
2003	Trudy Sweeney	Woodcroft Primary School
2002	-	
2001	-	
2000	Kerrie Smith	

Educator of the Year	
Directions: Rank each application in the categories below. Use a 4-1 scale with 4 the highest and 1 the lowest in terms of quality of response. (4=strongly agree, 3=Agree, 2 = disagree, 1= strongly disagree).	
Name of Nominee:	Rank
Application is complete. (If no, nominee is disqualified.) Application should have:	
Application Form Nomination Statement Resume or Vitae Letters of Recommendation (minimum of two) - referees	
The nominee is an R-12 classroom teacher.	
The nominee's work has had a significant positive impact on technology use in education; locally, regionally, state-wide, nationally, worldwide.	
The nominee has made efforts to involve the community in the initiative or program to facilitate partnerships with business and/or legislative initiations to advance the use of technology in education.	
The nominee works tirelessly to genuinely improve the quality of education.	
The nominee has integrated deliberate planning in an effort to improve education through the use of technology.	
The quality of education and/or work experience has been significantly advanced in the nominee's workplace as a result of the nominee's efforts.	
The nominee is an active member of professional organisations.	
The nominee has contributed to the profession by presenting at professional conferences, seminars and/or workshops or publishing articles in print or through electronic media.	
The nominee's work can be used as a model.	
The nominee's work reflects the mission and purpose of EdTechSA.	
The nominee will represent EdTechSA well in all forums.	
Average Rank	0.00

EdTechSA Leader of the Year Award

This award acknowledges the work of educational leaders and innovators. The award recognises significant advocacy, support and promotion of the use of ICT in education. Typically a candidate will be a leader / mentor / advisor to a school or broader educational community group, and generally their major role is not as a classroom teacher, Candidates will have had a distinguished career and proven inspirational achievement in leading the ICT in education community.

Criteria for Selection

Candidates should submit an application that contains a brief curriculum vitae and organises evidence under the following headings. The evidence should show that the applicant is respected as a leader and innovator both internal and external to their own institution.

- Significant positive impact on technology use in education; locally, regionally, state wide, nationally, worldwide.
- Efforts to involve the community in the initiative or program to facilitate partnerships with business and/or organisations to advance the use of technology in education.
- Works tirelessly to genuinely improve the quality of education.
- Integrates deliberate planning in an effort to improve education through the use of technology.
- Education and/or work experience has been significantly advanced in the nominee's workplace as a result of the nominee's efforts.
- Active member of professional organisations.
- Contributed to the profession by presenting at professional conferences, seminars and/or workshops or publishing articles in print or through electronic media.
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2016	Kevin Richardson	Immanuel College
2015	Katrina Falkner	University of Adelaide
2014	Trudy Sweeney	Flinders University
2013	Kevin Richardson	Immanuel College
2012		
2011		
2010	Steven Knipe	Aberfoyle Park High School
2009		
2008		
2007	Anne Ballard John Travers	SSABSA Education.au/Flinders University
2006	Sue Hollands	Technology School of the Future

Leader of the Year	
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Name of Nominee:	Rank
Application is complete. (If no nominee is disqualified.) Application should have:	
Application Form Nomination Statement Resume or Vitae Letters of Recommendation (minimum of two)	
The nominee's work has had a significant positive impact on technology use in education; locally, regionally, state-wide, nationally, worldwide.	
The nominee has made efforts to involve the community in the initiative or program to facilitate partnerships with business and/or legislative initiatives to advance the use of technology in education.	
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EdTechSA Leading Light Award:

The EdTechSA Leading Light award aims to recognise those within the education community who provide inspiration to others in supporting the subject of IT and the use of ICT.

Criteria for Selection

An EdTechSA leading light may be a teacher, pre-service teacher, technician, tertiary educator or community member, who has clearly made a valuable contribution to the IT / ICT community. However, they may not have had the opportunity to demonstrate their achievement of all of the selection criteria for the EdTechSA Educator of the Year or EdTechSA Leader of the Year awards, for example, some teachers in early years of service, or a volunteer.

Candidates should submit an application that contains a brief curriculum vitae and shows evidence of addressing at least 3 of the criteria which apply to the Educator of the Year Award, This evidence should be presented using the selected criteria as headings.

EdTechSA/ISTE - Making IT Happen Award

This is an ISTE sponsored award provided as part of the affiliate membership. Since its inception in 1995 more than 500 educators from around the world have received the award.

The awarding organisation, in this case, EdTechSA, chooses its winner(s) and ISTE supplies the award package, including an embroidered Making IT Happen jacket, a certificate, a one-year individual ISTE membership and promotional materials.

Selection

The Making IT Happen award is presented at the discretion of the Executive and/or Management Committee for members who have given outstanding service or make significant contribution to the Association. It also acknowledges commitment and innovation in the field of educational technology.

Presentation usually occurs at the Annual General Meeting.

AITSL Standards

Educators identifying for these Awards should be demonstrating the following characteristics (among others) of Highly Accomplished and / or Lead Teacher status.

Know the content and how to teach it

2.1 Content and teaching strategies of the teaching area

2.2 Content selection and organisation

2.6 Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

Professional Practice

3.2 Plan, structure and sequence learning programs

3.4 Select and use resources

3.6 Evaluate and improve teaching programs

Engage professionally with colleagues, parents/carers and the community

7.4 Engage with professional teaching networks and broader communities

TIMELINE

EdTechSA AGM (March/Apr)

Educator and Leader of the Year, and Leading Light Awards Nominations are opened
Webpage updated where necessary
Letters sent to all School Principals
Email to EdTechSA members list and friends of EdTechSA list

May – June

Further promotion of Awards in Shout Outs and social media posts

July

Further promotion of Awards at EdTechSA State Conference including a flyer in conference satchels
President identifies the selection panel to form awards committee

September

Awards Committee ranks applicants and selects award winners
Awards Committee endorses EdTechSA Educator & Leader of the Year
EdTechSA Committee ratifies nominations of EdTechSA Educator and Leader of the Year CEASA reps to notify CEASA
Winners notified
EdTechSA members notified of results
Winners presented prizes at a special EdTechSA meeting, which may include guest speaker on current topic of interest, e.g. the Australian Curriculum and ICT

October

Educator & Leader of the Year attend CEASA World Teachers' Day

March/April

Making IT Happen award(s) presented at the Annual General Meeting