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Gay Straight Alliance for Safe Schools Educator of the Year Nomination Form

Gay Straight Alliance for Safe Schools (GSAFE) is currently seeking nominations for the 2013 Educator of the Year Award. The award will be presented to an outstanding individual at the 17th annual Celebration of Leadership on Saturday, May 11, 2013 at Monona Terrace in downtown Madison. The recipient of this award will have demonstrated a commitment to promoting safe, respectful, and just schools for all, with an emphasis on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues (LGBT). This award is open to all Wisconsin educators, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity/expression.

The Educator of the Year Award is given to a Wisconsin K-12 educator who has demonstrated a commitment to promoting safe, respectful, and just schools for LGBT people and their allies. The 2009 GSAFE Wisconsin School Climate Survey indicates that knowing even just one supportive adult at school makes a significant difference for LGBT youth and their allies in regard to their sense of belonging at school as well as their future aspirations. Additionally, the same survey indicates that the inclusion of positive portrayals of LGBT people, issues, and history in the classroom curriculum increases LGBT students' sense of safety and belonging, their school attendance and GPA, and future aspirations. GSAFE seeks to honor the critical impact educators have on LGBT students and their allies through this award.

Nomination Deadline

March 15, 2013

Announcement: April 2013

To nominate someone please answer to the following questions. Please attach additional pages to your completed nomination.

1. How has this nominee provided support, educated others, or improved the climate for LGBT people and their allies in school?
2. How essential and/or enduring is the impact the nominee has had on a school?
3. What environment or climate did the nominee work within to create change? What obstacles, if known, did the nominee encounter in the school while doing this work?



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2013 Educator of the Year Nominee Information:

first name	last name	pronouns (optional)	
home address	city	state	zip
school address	city	state	zip
work phone	home/mobile phone	e-mail	

Important: Does the nominee know she/he/ze is being nominated? Yes No

Please note: Award recipients are expected to attend the GSAFE Celebration of Leadership on Saturday, May 11, 2013 in downtown Madison. Notice of award recipient selection will also be shared broadly by GSAFE. Please keep this date and information in mind when nominating an individual. Complementary tickets for the award recipient and one guest will be provided.

Nominator Information:

first name	last name	pronouns (optional)	
home address	city	state	zip
school address (if applicable)	city	state	zip
work phone	home/mobile phone	e-mail	

Submission of the Nomination

Nominations can be submitted electronically as a Word attachment or as a hard copy that is hand-delivered, mailed or faxed to the office of:

GSAFE
Attn: Scholarship Committee
122 E Olin Ave Ste 290
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Nominations must be postmarked or received by March 15, 2013.

For Further Information call (608) 661-4141, email brianj@gsafewi.org, or visit www.gsafewi.org.