

2010 Professional of the Year Award Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities

*(The award recipient will become the nominee for
The National CLD Floyd G. Hudson Outstanding Service Award)*

Each year the Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities selects an outstanding professional who imaginatively and diligently works on behalf of students with learning disabilities. This person, working in a role outside the classroom, has made significant contributions to the field of learning disabilities and impacted the lives of persons with learning disabilities. The recipient will become the chapter nominee for the Floyd G. Hudson Outstanding Service Award. The award is named in memory of Floyd G. Hudson, a professor at the University of Kansas, who was a leader in the early years of CLD. Floyd was instrumental in formulating early policy to drive federal and state initiatives in the area of learning disabilities. Don Deshler has said of Floyd, "As I visit many schools across KS, MO and NB, I can really see Floyd's lasting influence. He was a kind, generous, innovative, and collaborative professional. He worked closely with many school districts solving problems, preparing teachers, and implementing more effective programs. Even today, many people here in the Midwest and around the country tell me about their positive experiences working with Floyd, many of which took place more than 20 years ago."

Award Benefits

The CCLD Professional of the Year Recipient will:

- Be recognized at the Odyssey Conference
- Be a guest at the CLD National Conference (cost of airfare and registration provided by CCLD)
- Be profiled on the CCLD Web site and newsletter

Criteria for Nomination

- Be a member of CCLD and National CLD *or be willing to join*
- Provide staff development, consulting services or serve in a leadership role working with teachers, other professionals, parents and students
- Have taught for at least five years and currently hold a professional license in the area of special education
- Have impacted instructional practices of teachers in the field and/or served as an advocate for parents, children, adolescents or adults with learning disabilities

Instructions for Nomination

The nominee must submit a packet including:

- Completed nomination form
- Resume (maximum of 2 pages)
- Three (maximum) letters of recommendation (including supervisor, colleague and/or other professionals)
- Two testimonials from parents or students
- Responses to questions from Statement of Educational Practices (submitted in 12 point font and double spaced)

**Nomination form for the Floyd G. Hudson Outstanding Service Award
(CCLD Professional of the Year)**

Nominee _____

Address _____

City/State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ email _____

Current job title/Employer _____

Statement of Educational Practices

1. Describe your role as a professional in the field of special education and how this role allows you to impact educational practices and support families and students with learning disabilities. (500 word maximum)
2. Describe how your continued professional development has enhanced your professional practices. (500 word maximum)
3. Describe the most critical issues relevant to delivery of services and instructional practices that are currently facing both special educators and classroom teachers. How do you address these issues in your role as a professional?

Send Nomination Packets to:

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The nomination packet must be postmarked by February 28, 2010

Questions: contact pycochrane@comcast.net