

Q: WHERE CAN I FIND THE AWARDS INFO?

- A. All the details for ITE's Awards Program, including award descriptions, eligibility and submission requirements, and deadlines for each award can be found [here](#). The information is all contained online, but there is also a PDF file for anyone who would like to download the details. The awards link is <https://www.ite.org/membership/awards1/>.

Q: WHO CAN NOMINATE?

- A. This varies by award.
- Only Council Chairs nominate for **CLT Project Excellence & Jeff Lindley Awards**. (by January 15)
 - Nominations are not solicited for **Burton Marsh** or **Theodore Matson Awards**.
 - Anyone can nominate for **Wilbur Smith Distinguished Educator Award**. (by March 1)
 - Anyone can nominate for **Young Leaders to Follow**. (by March 15)
 - Anyone can nominate for the **Nelson J. Shaffer Distinguished Consultant Award**. (by April 1)
 - Only District Awards Coordinators can nominate for the following awards (by April 1):
 - Transportation Achievement Awards (one for each of the 6 categories)
 - District Innovation Award
 - [District Rising Star](#)
 - Outstanding Section
 - Section Momentum Award
 - Outstanding Student Chapter Award
 - Student Chapter Momentum Award
 - Daniel B. Fambro Student Paper Award

Q: WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE DISTRICT AWARDS COORDINATORS?

- A. Most of ITE's 11 Districts conduct their own District-level awards programs and present these awards at their Annual Meeting. To better integrate the District Awards with ITE International Awards, ITE requests that each District assign Awards Coordinators to facilitate the communication and nomination process. Each District manages their own Awards program independently and most have aligned their Awards with ITE International so that they submit their best nominations for the awards listed above. Having already been vetted at the District level, only District Awards Coordinators are able to submit nominations for these specific awards. Any nominations submitted by members at-large for the awards listed above will be deemed ineligible.

Q: WHAT ARE THE DEADLINES?

- A. The nomination period **opens January 1** and remains open for 8-12 weeks depending on the award.
- **By January 15:** CLT Project Excellence; CLT Jeff Lindley Awards; & Nelson J. Shaffer Award
 - **By March 1:** Wilbur Smith Distinguished Educator & HSIS Research paper (*HSIS TBD*)
 - **By March 15:** Young Leaders to Follow
 - **By April 1:** District Innovation, District Rising Star, Outstanding Section, Section Momentum, Outstanding Student Chapter Award, Student Chapter Momentum, Dan Fambro Student Paper

Q: HOW ARE NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED?

- A. The [online awards portal](#) is available beginning **January 1**. You can access it at <https://ite-awards.secure-platform.com/a/organizations/main/home> using your ITE login. Navigate to the award for which you are entering a submission, and simply follow the prompts to provide the required information and documents.

Q: ARE THERE LIMITS TO HOW MANY NOMINATIONS ONE CAN SUBMIT?

- A. Only for Awards submitted by District Awards Coordinators. District Awards Coordinators should receive entries from their District's members by **March 1** (or in accordance with their own established deadline) and submit **one nomination** to ITE's award portal for each respective award **by April 1**.

Q: ARE THERE ANY RESTRICTIONS I SHOULD KNOW ABOUT?

- A. Districts, Sections & Student Chapters **cannot win in consecutive years**. So please plan to submit a District or Section that was not recognized the previous year.

Q: WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE YOUNG MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD?

- A. ITE's [Young Member of the Year Award](#) is chosen from among the **District Rising Stars Class** and the **Young Leaders to Follow** program. For the District Rising Star Program, each District is encouraged to enter one eligible District Rising Star into the online Awards Platform to be recognized in the upcoming District Rising Star Class. A panel of judges will combine the District Rising Star Class (one representative from each of the 11 Districts) to up-to-nine awardees from among the submissions to the [Young Leaders to Follow program](#) to form a class of [20 Young Leaders to Follow](#). The **Young Member of the Year Award will be awarded to one outstanding candidate from among these worthy candidates**. Questions? Contact membership@ite.org.

Q. DID THE COUNCIL AWARDS CHANGE?

- A. Yes, the Council Impact Awards have evolved over the past few years. They have been absorbed into the Transportation Achievement Awards, which now includes a 6th category to recognize one individual annually. Members must submit their nominations to their District Awards Coordinator (**prior to March 1**) for consideration on the District-level. Districts may submit one award in each of the 6 categories to be considered for an Award at the International level **by April 1**.

Q: WHAT DO WINNERS RECEIVE?

- A. Winners receive an inscribed plaque or trophy presented at the ITE Annual Meeting except for the Council Leadership Team Project Excellence and Jeff Lindley Awards, which are announced at the Annual Virtual Spring Conference. Student Awardees only may receive a small travel stipend and one complimentary Annual Meeting registration (**subject to approval*).

Q: WHAT'S ITE'S NOTIFICATION PROCESS FOR NOMINEES?

- A. ITE notifies *only* Award Winners in late April/early May via email. In most cases, the person who submitted the nomination is copied as a courtesy. ITE ensures each winner is aware of their achievement and coordinates details about the Annual Meeting directly with them. The winners are confidential until ITE's Annual Meeting. ITE appreciates *all* nominees but does not communicate with non-winners.

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