

# OEA Education Support Professional Award

## 2024-2025 Application Guide



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Some years ago, education support professionals were not members of the Ohio Education Association. Today, OEA Education Support Professional members are actively involved in the Association, in bargaining, political action, community organizing, and school restructuring efforts, as partners with their education colleagues.

Once a year, OEA/NEA members join school districts and communities on National Education Support Professional Day to honor the many dedicated education support professionals around the nation. The OEA Board of Directors approved a special annual honor, the OEA Education Support Professional Award, to further emphasize the contributions of education support professionals to their schools, communities, and all education workers.

OEA will present the Education Support Professional Award to an OEA member whose activities reflect the contributions of education support professionals to public education. Nominations may be submitted by any member and/or affiliate of the Ohio Education Association.

**Current members of the OEA Board of Directors and association staff members are not eligible for this award. In addition, OEA Awards and Scholarship Committee Members are not eligible for two years after completion of service on the committee to apply or to be nominated.**

This award will be presented at the OEA Spring Representative Assembly Awards Luncheon. For additional information, please contact Awards by emailing: [awards@ohea.org](mailto:awards@ohea.org)

**NOTE:** The completed online application form for the ESP Professional Award must be received on or before **January 31, 2025. \*\* Late applications will not be considered.**

All applicants will receive notification of receipt of his/her application. The finalists may receive an interview request at the discretion of the committee. **Only complete applications will be considered. The OEA Awards and Scholarship Committee reserves the right to present no award, or to refer an applicant to another award.**

### Questions or Concerns?

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